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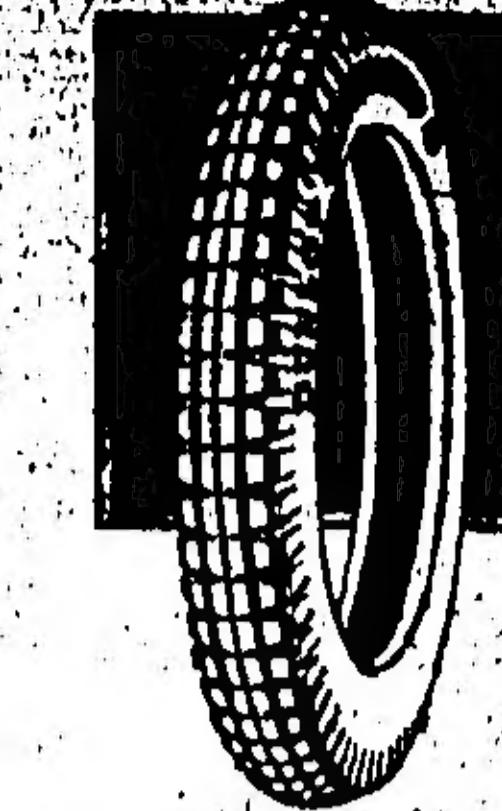
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## GOVERNOR ON GAOL STRIKE.

## IMPROVEMENT IN SITUATION.

## FULL STATEMENT IN COUNCIL.

## DEFINITE ASSURANCE ON POINT OF RATIONS.

## DIET REVELATION.

A definite assurance by His Excellency the Governor that there has been no reduction in quantity or quality of individual diets in Victoria Gaol was given this morning at the final meeting for the year of the Legislative Council. His Excellency added that "in fact any change has been in the direction of an increase."

The business before the Council was purely formal. His Excellency making his statement on conditions in the Gaol when the Report of the Finance Committee, held on Monday last (at which numerous questions on the gaol administration were asked), was before the Council for adoption.

## False Impression.

The adoption of the Report having been moved and seconded, His Excellency said:

"As the financial provision asked for was agreed to at the meeting of the Finance Committee on December 22nd, there would seem to be no need for further discussion in this Council."

It appears however, that certain questions were asked in Committee, bearing on Prison diets, more particularly in relation to the recent unfortunate strike in the Gaol, which tend to create the impression that there has been a reduction in the quality or quantity of the regulation diets. I take this opportunity of saying that any saving on the Subsistence Vote does not connote any such reduction. It must be quite well known that, in forming an estimate for such a service for the forthcoming year, it is impossible to estimate requirements accurately. In the first place, at the time the estimates are drawn up, it is not known what the contract rate per diet will be, and in the second place Government of course cannot possibly be aware beforehand of the number of prisoners that will have to be fed. These factors may result in either a saving or an excess of expenditure.

## Definite Assurance.

This year there happens to have been a saving. I now give the definite assurance that there has been no reduction in quantity or quality of individual diets, and that in fact any change has been in the direction of an increase. The diets which were in force during the early part of this year have been in force for many years, and have stood the test of time. As however, it is some 25 years old at least, Government recently decided to appoint a Committee to review the whole scale, and this committee has submitted a report which has been considered by Executive Council. The report recommends very large increases, and the Executive Council was not satisfied that they were entirely justified, and the recommendations have been referred back to the Committee for further investigations. Certain alterations have been allowed in the meantime, but the real problem is not one of dietary but of maintenance of discipline among the prisoners.

It is considered not unlikely that the recent unrest in the Gaol is largely attributable to outside influences, which, if the absence of facilities for segregation, can penetrate to the convicts through the medium of the short sentences prisoners, and in my opinion the question of diets has merely been made among the prisoners generally.

## Confidence in Staff.

I am given to understand that in some quarters the satisfactory administration of the Gaol has been called in question. I have

## TRIBUTES TO LORD MELCHETT.

## MESSAGE OF CONDOLENCE SENT BY KING.

## BY-ELECTION CAUSED.

## SHOOTING DRAMA SEQUEL.

## PORTUGUESE WOMAN BEFORE COURT.

## CHARGE OF ATTEMPTED MURDER.

## MR. MANTON'S WOUNDS.

London, Dec. 28.

The newspapers in recording the death of Lord Melchett yesterday afternoon, print long tributes.

The *Sunday Times* describes him as the Field-marshal of Industry and the *Observer* refers to the loss of an inspiring impulse in scientific industry and of a man of the highest intellectual ability.

Late yesterday, Lady Melchett received a telegram of sympathy from the King and Queen, in the course of which the King said:

"I fully recognise how constantly he devoted his energies to the improvement of the industrial life of the country."

Lord Melchett, who was only sixty-two, was an advocate of

Investigation, the men were charged with the possession of only six lbs.

Asked if she understood the charge, Xavier replied in the affirmative.

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The message hints at the possibility of a Chinese attempt to seize the cable landings.—Reuter.

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## KING AND MARSHAL JOFFRE.

## ROYAL INTEREST IN GREAT FRENCH SOLDIER.

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## SENSATIONAL CAFE ARREST.

## BIG DRUG TRAFFIC INVESTIGATION.

## LOCAL DISPENSER.

Extensive ramifications were hinted at by the Revenue authorities when they charged three men before Mr. Lindsell at the Central Police Court to-day with the joint possession of six lbs. of morphine.

One of the accused is described as a dispenser, employed at the Queen's Dispensary, at Des Voeux Road Central, while one of the other two is alleged by the authorities to be a buyer.

All three men, together with a small boy (the case against whom was subsequently withdrawn), were arrested. Revenue Officer Grimmett stated, at the Tin Wah Cafe, at No. 49, Des Voeux Road Central, on Saturday night. Other tins, he said, were seized, the contents of which had yet to be analysed. Pending the results of investigation, the men were charged with the possession of only six lbs.

Papers found in the case, coupled with the fact that one of the accused was employed at a Dispensary, have prompted investigations, indicated by the officer to be of an extensive character.

On behalf of one of the men charged, Mr. H. J. Armstrong pleaded not guilty.

The two other accused also denied the charge, saying that they had got nothing to do with the drug.

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## KWANGSI POSITION UNCHANGED.

## REBELS CONTROL MOST OF THE PROVINCE.

Canton, Dec. 28.

The Kwangsi campaign continues to hang fire. The rebel troops remain in control of Nanning and Liuchow and, in fact, of most of the Province, with the exception of the south-east part around Wuchow and the West River as far as Kwei Hsien, which is under the control of General Chan Chol-long.

The Yunnanese troops of the 10th Route Army, which had been besieging Nanning for many months, have been instructed by the Central Government to withdraw across the Yunnan-Kwangsi border and to discontinue all raids on Nanning.—*Our Own Correspondent*.

The Royal Observatory notices that the 9 p.m. time signals, by lamps on the Observatory Radio Mast, will be repeated at midnight on December 31. The last signal will indicate the date of the year.

The Administrative Reports of the Hongkong Government for the year 1930 have just been issued in one volume.

## BRITAIN'S MOBILE POLICE FORCE.

## ESTABLISHED UNDER NEW ROAD ACT.

## THOUSAND PATROLS TO BE READY ON THURSDAY.

## NO VINDICTIVENESS.

The provisions of the new Road Traffic Act, abolishing the speed limit and establishing compulsory third party insurance, come into force on Thursday next.

To deal with offences such as dangerous driving and neglect of signals, a special force of police mounted on motor bicycles and fast cars is being organised.

A thousand patrols are expected to be in service by January 1st, and about 300 will be on the roads in the London district to-morrow, says a British Wireless message.

Mr. Herbert Morrison, the Minister of Transport, discussed the subject of mobile police in an interview, explaining that he had incorporated, in the Road Traffic Act, provisions authorising grants out of the Road Fund to the cost of police, motor cars, and cycles because he desired to encourage the local police authorities to equip the police for modern service on the roads.

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### LOCAL OBITUARY.

#### LANCE SERGT. POST AND ARMY CHAPLAIN.

The death of Lance Sergeant Post, occurred shortly after 2.30 a.m. yesterday at the Government Civil Hospital.

On Christmas Day, he was riding a motor-cycle, when, it is believed, it skidded over some loose sand, swerved and ran into a wall at Lower Albert Road. Sgt. Post received serious head injuries and, discovered lying unconscious by a foreign resident, was taken to Hospital. He did not recover full consciousness after the accident.

Of a happy disposition, the late Sergeant Post was genuinely liked by all and a popular officer. He joined the Force three years ago, and was for a time attached to the Central Division before being transferred to the Traffic Department. Since March he had carried out the duties of a traffic patrol officer, winning approval for being an efficient driver. His death at the age of 25 years has cut short a promising career.

Sgt. Post leaves a brother, Acting Sub-Inspector E. A. Post, of the Wan Chai Station, and his mother, who lives in Kent.

The funeral took place last evening. Leaving the Mortuary, whether the remains were transferred for the purpose of a post-mortem examination, the official procession, formed by a detachment of fellow-officers drawing a gun-carriage on which reposed the coffin, reached the Protestant Cemetery at 5 o'clock. From the gate to the graveside, the coffin was borne by six comrades, these being Lance Sergeant R. Paton, J. Brown, W. MacHardy, A. Graves, A. McInnes and W. Williamson. The chief mourner was deceased's brother, Acting Sub-Inspector E. A. Post.

The service at the graveside was performed by the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave. Those present included the Inspector General of Police (Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G.), Mr. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E. (D.S.P. Hongkong), Mr. W. La Burt Sparrow, A.S.P. (K.), Mr. W. Kent, A.S.P.; Mr. T. Murphy, A.S.P.; Mr. A. N. Reynolds, C.D.; Insp. A. R. Clarke, Detective-Inspector Fallon, Insp. C. F. Alexander, Insp. W. Shannon, Insp. K. W. Andrew, Insp. T. Marks, Insp. J. Murphy, Insp. Stimson, Insp. J. Moss, Messrs. A. W. Grimmitt, T. Bell, A. J. C. Taylor, W. E. Hollands, F. H. W. Haynes, S. Logan, B. C. Kendall and many others.

There was a wealth of wreaths, these being from deceased's brother, Anne and Arthur, Bill Dinsay and husband, Effie, Bill and family, Dan, Ernie, Flo, Erm and family, Gladys and Ted, George, Jack, Leah, Shirley, Maud, Dick and family, and "A Friend."

Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G. (Inspector General of Police), Mr. T. H. King (Deputy Inspector General of Police), Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E. (D.S.P. Hongkong), Mr. W. La Burt Sparrow, A.S.P. (K.), Inspector C. F. Alexander.

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### THE WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC.

#### A LEAGUE OF NATIONS COMMISSION HERE.

The Commission of Enquiry into the Traffic in Women and Children in the East arrived in Hongkong on Saturday, and is staying at the Peninsula Hotel.

The League of Nations has entrusted this enquiry to a Travelling Commission of three Members. They are: Mr. Bascom Johnson, American, Chairman; Dr. Alma Sundquist, Swedish; and Mr. Karol Pindor, Polish. Mr. Bascom Johnson carried out the previous enquiry in Europe and America. Madame Sundquist is a well-known physician who has specially interested herself in women's social questions in her own country; and Mr. Pindor is a diplomat who has spent 25 years of his life in various Asiatic countries.

In each of the countries to be visited the Government has appointed an official representative who will receive the Commission and act as the channel through which all official information will be obtained.

At the end of October the Commission arrived in the East where it intends to spend 18 months visiting the various countries and conducting its enquiry.

On its return to Geneva the Commission will draw up a report for submission to the League of Nations giving the results of its enquiry. Thus the information collected at Geneva will cover the greater part of the world and may lead to the introduction of further steps designed to ensure the better protection of women and children throughout the world.

Any person or organisation wishing to meet the Commission during its stay in Hongkong should communicate with the Secretary, Mr. W. von Schmidlen, at the Peninsula Hotel.

Russell, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Pratt and Gwen, Mr. and Miss Stevens. Messrs. Bill Stewart, J. Bright, M. J. Flattery, T. McInnes, M. Murphy, R. D. Paton, S. C. Saunders, J. J. Walsh, W. Ward, L. Whant, W. H. Whittaker, Macnamara, Bentley and Holmeyale, Brittain and Russell, C. T. Byron, L. K. George, A. Kinneir, J. Moss, H. Mackey, W. Harris, Scott and Miss Elsie Smith.

Central Traffic Staff; Revenue Officers' European Mess; Sea Front Searching Staff; Sergeants of Shamshui Po Police Station; Sergeants Mess; Shaukiwan Police Station; European Officers' Mess; Water Police Station; Sergeants' Mess; No. 7 Police Station; Central Single Sergeants' Mess; O.C. and Members, Flying Squad; Sergeants' Mess; Yaumtau; Inspector and Sergeants of No. 2 Station; Upper Level Police Station Mess; Police Training School Staff; Officers' Mess; Victoria Gaol; Officers and Men, Hongkong Fire Brigade; Members of the Civil Service Cricket Club; Members of the Police Recreation Club; Hongkong and Shanghai Taxicab Co.; Traffic Department, H.K. Tramways Co. Ltd., and the Worshipful Master Wardens, Officers and Brethren of the United Services Lodge, No. 1341.

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### "PATRIOTIC DUTY."

#### MR. LLOYD GEORGE SPEAKS ON LIBERAL POLICY.

London, Dec. 27. A significant statement was made by Mr. Lloyd George in reply to the Hon. Vernon Hartshorn, Lord Privy Seal, who complained of Mr. Lloyd George's criticism of his (Hartshorn's) figures with regard to the number of men employed under the public works schemes.

Mr. Lloyd George says that Liberals deem that they are discharging a patriotic duty in doing their best to avert the risk of the restoration of the Baldwin Government to power. "That is why they wish this Government to be given another chance of pulling themselves together and taking their job in earnest. But unless they do so, then, with the best will in the world for their continuance in office, they cannot be kept there very much longer by any Parliament with a sense of responsibility.—Reuters.

Two years, and was wounded, being awarded the Military Cross.

After the war, he served with the British Army of the Rhine, and later in Egypt, from which station he was posted to Hongkong this year.

Mr. Crosthwaite, who was a native of Dublin, was a graduate of Trinity College, Dublin, and was a married man. A particularly poignant feature of his death is that he leaves a widow and small daughter, who are at present in Devonshire.

Arrangements regarding the funeral have not yet been decided, but, in the event of the body not being sent home for burial, it is expected that the funeral will take place to-morrow morning. A service will probably be conducted at St. John's Cathedral in case the remains are to be sent home, otherwise the service will most likely be held at the cemetery chapel.

Funeral of Inspector Savage.

Many officers of the Sanitary Board and Health Department attended the funeral of Sanitary Inspector Savage on Saturday afternoon. Six St. John Ambulance men of the Kowloon Division, of which Mr. Savage was Divisional Superintendent, walked at the side of the hearse, and there were many others in uniform.

Mr. G. W. R. Griggs was chief mourner, and others who were present included Mr. G. R. Sayer, (Head of Sanitary Department), Mr. J. H. Gelling (Secretary) and Mr. J. Hargreaves (Assistant Secretary), Dr. G. W. Pope (Medical Officer of Health), Mr. W. J. Carle, Mr. C. E. Frith (Chief Sanitary Inspector), Dr. Begbie, Senior Inspector Taylor and Sanitary Inspectors Hooper, Lacey, Braley, Brewer, Clark, Foster, Woolley and Lockhart, Messrs. Jones, Bolt, Watson, Morley and Brookbank from the Public Works Department, and Chief Inspector A. R. Clark and Inspector J. Murphy.

The coffin, covered with a Union Jack, was carried by Sanitary Inspectors Wood, Knight, Old, Kerrison, Strange and Reed. The officiating clergyman was Very Rev. Dean A. Swann assisted by Rev. H. V. Koop.

Many members of the St. John Ambulance Brigade were present with Mr. A. Morris, District Superintendent in Charge. They included Mr. J. Ralston (senior corps officer) and Messrs. T. K. Chak, Sze To, M. A. Khan, A. H. Rumjahn, Fan Shiu-nam and Lam Wing-kam, and Mrs. R. Langley, hon. secretary of the Brigade and ambulance officer of the Victoria Nursing Division.

There was a profusion of wreaths, among them being those from Headmaster and Staff, King's College, President and members Kowloon Cricket Club, Members of the Royal Naval Yard Police, Inspectors and Sergeants No. 1 Police Station, All the Inspectors Kowloon, Members of the Police Recreation Club, Members of the Civil Service Cricket Club, J. S. Lee & Co., Warrant Officers and Sergeants, R.A.M.C., Officers

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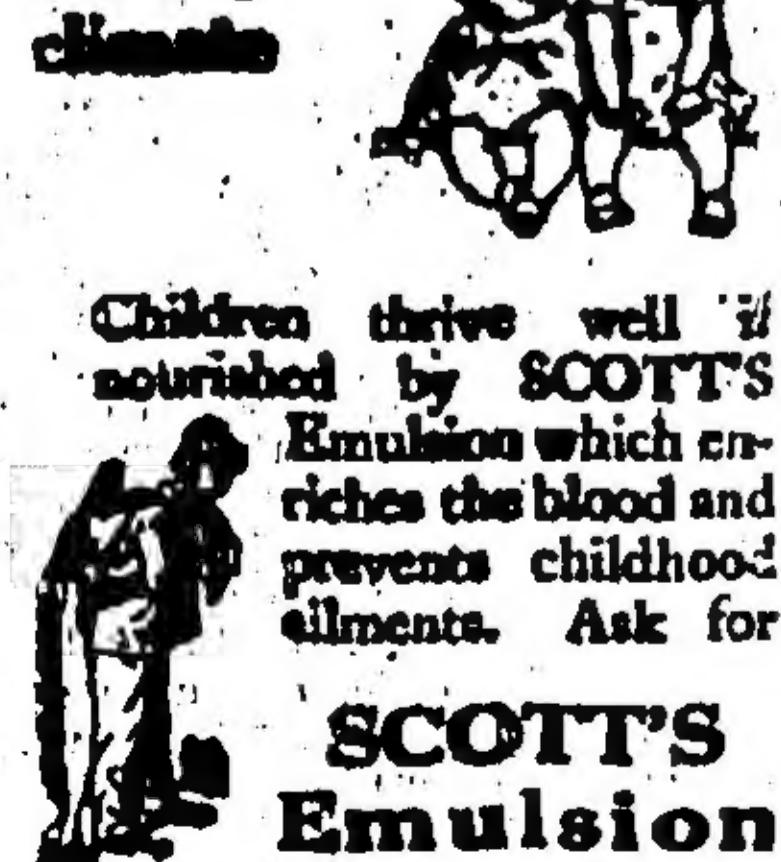
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Tokyo, Dec. 27.

Fire has destroyed the Railway Ministry. There were no casualties.—Reuters.

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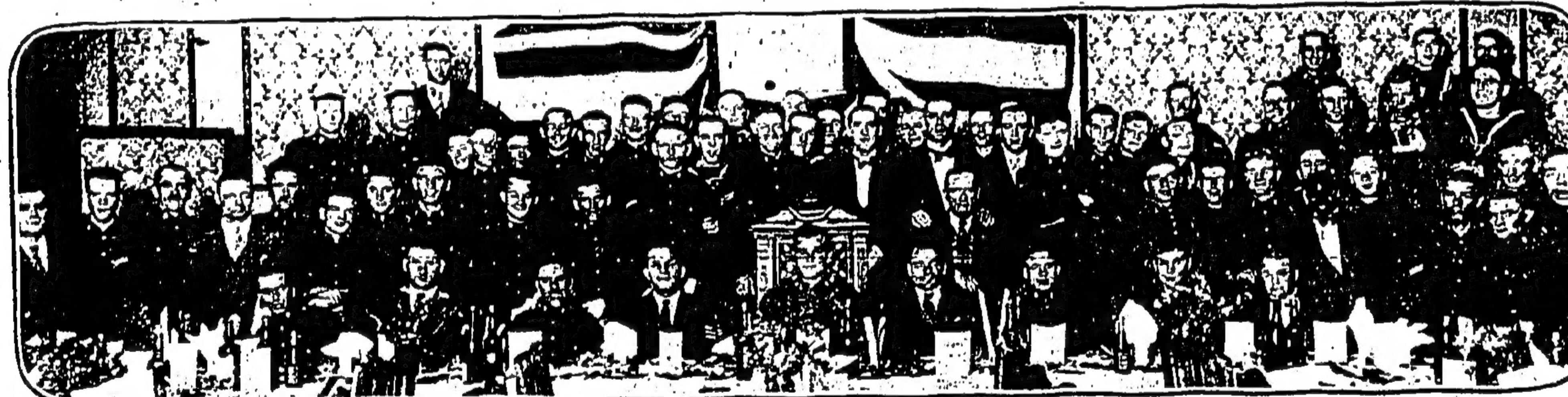
A happy Christmas picture taken in Shanghai, showing Miss Lillian Roth dreaming of St. Nicholas and wondering what is the use of a sledge without snow.



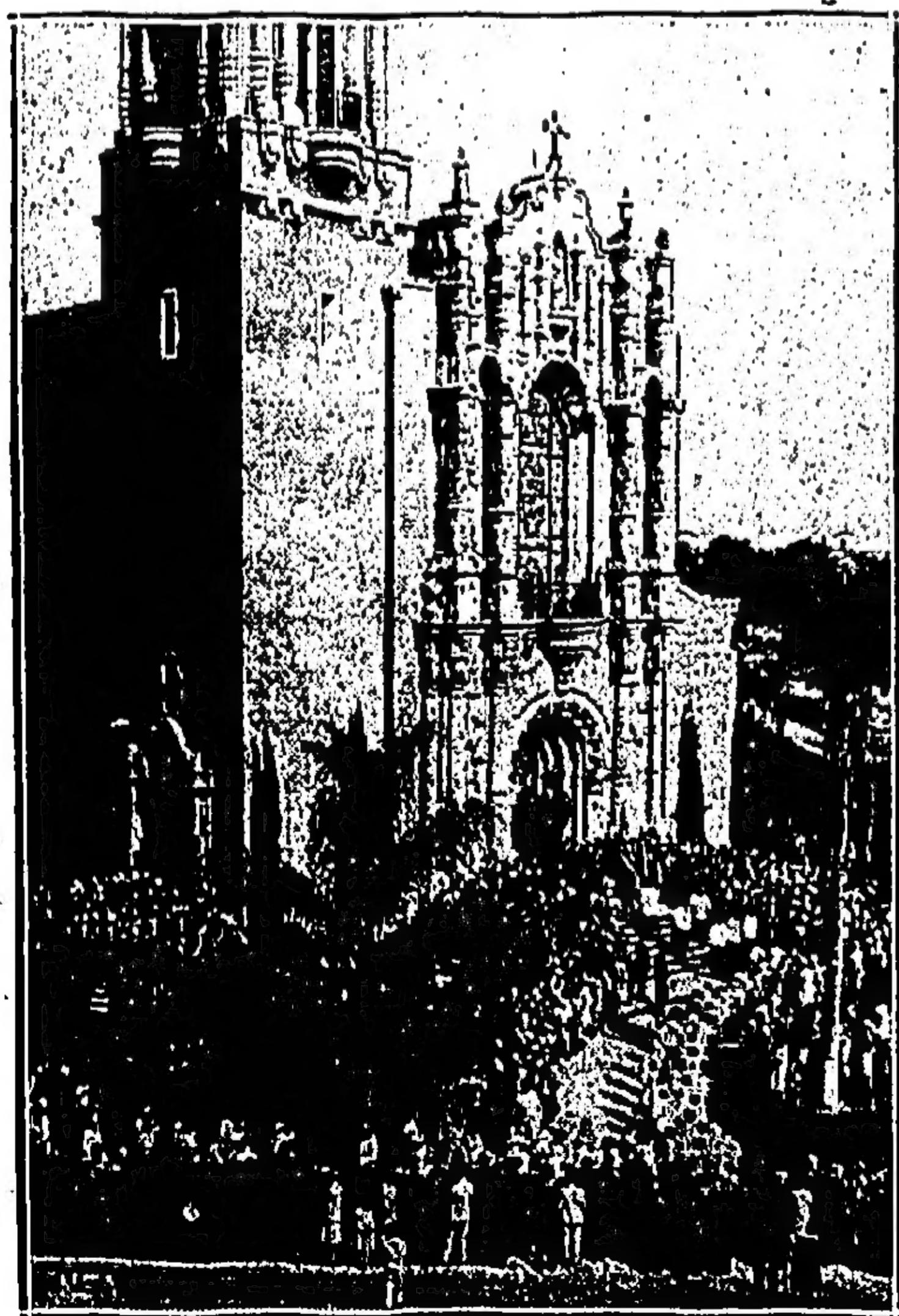
Captain Alton Parker, awarded the D. F. C. for his work on the Byrd expedition.



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The "Firm" Lodge, R.A.O.B., No. 5285 (G.L.E.) held a farewell dinner at the Strand Hotel Shanghai recently when the above picture was taken. The committee in charge was composed of: Messrs. G. Cowley, President; J. Bullock, S. Dyke, D. Chelms, A. Henshaw and G. Taylor.



The Church of St. Vincent de Paul erected at Los Angeles at the cost of £1,500,000 entirely borne by Mr. E. L. Doheny, was consecrated recently. Our picture shows the crowds at the church during the ceremony.



A new picture of the Oklahoma City gusher.



Miss Kathleen Greenwood, daughter of the Rt. Hon. Mr. Arthur Greenwood, Minister of Health in Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's government, is now playing leading roles in British talking picture productions.



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## BANK HOLIDAYS.

In accordance with ordinance No. 5, of 1912, the Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of Public Business on Thursday, 1st of January, 1931 (New Year's Day).

Hongkong, 24th December, 1930.

## NOTICE.

Owing to the increased cost of imported coal, which is the principal item in the Company's operations, and to an increase in wages due to the higher cost of living, we are compelled to increase our charge by 10% from 1st January next.

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## NOTICE.

The Public is hereby notified that on and from the 1st January, 1931, all local and joint sectional fares on this railway will be revised.

The new scale of fares may be seen at any local railway station.

By Order  
ROBERT BAKER,  
Manager & Chief Engineer.  
Kowloon, 29th December, 1930.

## UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG.

A meeting of graduates will be held in the Great Hall of the University at 5.15 p.m. on Wednesday, the 14th January, 1931. The purpose of the meeting over which the Hon. Foo Ping Sheung has consented to preside is to consider the creation of a Hongkong University Graduates' Association. The Vice Chancellor will be at home in the Great Hall from 4.15 to 5.15 p.m.

STANLEY V. BOXER,  
Acting Registrar.  
Hongkong, 23rd December, 1930.

HONG KONG SOCIETY FOR  
THE PROTECTION OF  
CHILDREN.

## REMINDER.

The Annual Meeting is to be at 5.15 p.m. at the City Hall on 30th December.

It is earnestly hoped that all members will attend.

Those wishing to become members will be welcome and are requested to sign a list that will be at the door.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel (First Floor), Pedder Street, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 29th day of December, 1930 at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing the following resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions viz:-

(1) That the authorised capital of the Company (which is now \$1,500,000 consisting of 150,000 shares fully paid up of the nominal value of \$10.00 per share all of which have been issued) be increased from \$1,500,000 consisting as aforesaid to \$3,000,000 (consisting of 300,000 shares of the nominal value of \$10.00 each) by the creation of 150,000 additional new shares of the nominal value of \$10.00 each.

(2) (a) That 50,000 of the said 150,000 new shares be offered forthwith (in the proportion of one new share for every complete number of three issued shares held by them respectively) to the persons who on the 29th day of December, 1930 are registered in the Company's Share Register as the holders of the said 150,000 issued shares at a premium of \$2.50 per share and so on acceptance of the offer the nominal value due in respect of such new shares plus the said premium of \$2.50 per share (making \$12.50 per share) shall be payable in full. Such new shares shall rank for dividend as from the respective dates of allotment and in all other respects pari passu with the shares constituting the Company's present issued capital.

(b) That such offer as aforesaid be made by notice specifying the number of new shares to which the member is entitled and limiting the time or times within which the offer if not accepted by the member either on behalf of such member or his nominee will be deemed to be declined and the Directors be at liberty to fix such respective times and to extend such times to such date or dates and upon such terms as they may think fit and further that any of the said 50,000 new shares which shall not be taken up by the Company's shareholders in manner aforesaid be disposed of in such manner at such time or times and upon such terms as the Company's Directors shall in their absolute discretion see fit.

(c) That no shareholder shall be entitled to claim for a fraction of an additional new share in respect of any odd share held by him.

(d) That the remaining 100,000 new shares constituting the Company's unissued capital be issued at such time or times in such manner and for such purposes and upon such terms and conditions in every respect as the Company's Board of Directors may decide.

NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN that the Register of members of the Company will be closed from the 22nd to 29th December, 1930, inclusive during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

Dated this 13th day of December, 1930.

By Order of the Board.  
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
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NOTICE is hereby given that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be closed from the 31st day of December, 1930, until the 6th day of January, 1931, inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

Dated this 24th day of December, 1930.

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## TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

## Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$1,755 n.  
Chartered Bank, \$174 n.  
Mercantile A. & B., \$27 n.  
East Asia \$115 b.

## Insurances.

Canton Ins., \$1,230 n.  
Union Ins., \$525 n.

North China Ins., \$160 b.

China Underwriters, \$3,15 b.

Yangtze Ins., \$50 n.

China Fires, \$450 b.

H. K. Ins., \$1215 n.

## Shipping.

Douglas, \$28 1/2 n.

H. K. Steamboats, \$10,50 n.

Indo-Chinas, (Def.) \$24 n.

Union Waterboats, \$35 n.

## Mining.

Bengal, \$11,10 n.

Katanga, 28/9 n.

Shanghai Explorations, \$1. b.

Rauba, \$34 b.

## Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$172 b.

Whampoa Docks, \$80 b.

China Providents, \$1,30 n. (old).

Hongkong, \$234 n.

New Engineering, \$1.70 n.

Shanghai Docks, \$1.14 n.

## Cottons.

Ewo Cottons, \$11,70 b.

Shanghai Cottons, \$19 1/2 n. (old) n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. S. Hotels, \$12,30 b.

H. K. Land, \$84 1/2 b. (old).

do \$83 n.

Shanghai Land, \$22 b.

Humphreys, \$17,65 b.

Realities, \$9,40 n.

## Public Utilities.

Tramways, \$1 b.

Peak Trams, (old) \$14 1/4 n.

Star Ferries \$94 1/2 n.

China Lights, (old) \$25,10 n.

H. K. Electrics, \$32 b.

Macao Electrics, \$23 n.

Telephone, \$36 1/2 n.

China Buses, \$19,60 n.

Singapore Traction, 7/6 s.

## Industries.

China Sugars, 80 cts b.

Malabon, \$27 n.

Cald: Macq. Ord: Tls. 10,75 n.

Canton Ice, \$8,50 n.

Cements (Comb) \$17,85 b.

Ropes, \$11,35 b.

United Asbestos \$5 n.

## Stores, etc.

Dairy Farms, \$27,75 n.

Watsons, \$12,75 n.

Der A. Wings, \$1 n.

Lane, Crawford, \$3,70 n.

Mackintosh, \$19 b.

Sinceres, \$11,60 n.

## Miscellaneous.

Amusements, \$28 n.

Constructions, \$4,30 b.

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**LOCAL CRICKET.**

**ARMY DEFEAT CLUB IN ANNUAL FIXTURE.**

League cricket had another Saturday off over the week-end, not one match being played, although there were several friendly games, chief of which was the Club-Army annual two-day fixture, which resulted in a victory for the latter team by 29 runs after the civilians had had the upper hand for the most part of the game.

In the annual triangular tournament between the Club, Army and Navy, the Club-Army tie, which commenced on Friday, was resumed on Saturday morning and ended in a victory for the military team by 29 runs.

The Club had the upper hand for the most part of the game but failed to withstand the Army attack when set to obtain 131 runs for victory. Sir William, of the Royal Corps of Signals, bowled extremely well towards the end of the game, and returned an analysis of seven wickets for 33. He was chiefly responsible for the collapse of the Club in their second innings, his fast deliveries causing no little trouble to the Club batsmen.

The Army knocked up 213 runs in their first innings and when stumps were drawn on Friday, the Club had brought their score to 140 for five wickets. Pearce (62) and Mitchell (6) resumed the Club's innings on Saturday morning, but the former did not stay long. He added another 12 to his over-night score before being bowled by Dewar Durie, off Musson.

Things did not look very bright for the Club at this stage but a plucky, if somewhat lucky, innings of 64 not out by Mitchell retrieved the situation and gave the Club a lead of 37 runs when the last wicket fell.

Good bowling by Bowler and Reed was responsible for the failure of the Army batsmen and only a stand by Lt. Waring (28) and Pte. Salmon (50) managed to save them from a total collapse. In their last-wicket partnership, these two added 79 runs to the Army score, which stood at 167 when the innings closed.

Set to get 131 runs to win, with ample time to do so, the Club were generally expected to knock off the required runs for victory, but could do no better than put up 101 runs. Pearce was again the principal contributor with 27. Sayer (27) and More (20) being the only others to reach double figures.

Two second division bowlers in Fry and Williams captured all 10 wickets between them, the former taking for 28 and the latter seven for 33.

**UNDERGRADUATES WIN.**  
League Game Changed to a  
Friendly.

William Haines has a characteristic role in "The Girl Said No," a comedy-drama now showing at the Queen's Theatre. Haines is again the cocky self-assured young blood, in this case just out of college, who has to carve out a career for himself. A transformation of mentality is shown brought about in Haines by the tragic death of his father. Then, with the responsibility for the upkeep of his brothers and sisters, on his shoulders, Haines is seen mending the errors of his ways. Good fortune brings in his way an opportunity to make good. How he clinches with this, chance, and wins his girl at the eleventh hour, closes a story which is not without its humour and pathos.

Haines is not all comedian. In this picture he also does some good straight acting.

**CINEMA NOTES.**

**RAMON NOVARRO IN "IN GAY MADRID."**

The colour and romantic flavour usually associated with the pictures of Ramon Novarro are again to be found in profusion in the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Star's latest all-talking and singing production, "In Gay Madrid," which will open on Wednesday at the Queen's Theatre.

Laid in pictureque setting with gay Spanish costumes and charming music, the story tells of Ricardo, son of the Marquis de Castelar, who because of his wild escapades in Madrid, hides himself in Ricardo's rooms and is subsequently discovered in his bed. The climax results when Carrimino's brother challenges Ricardo to a duel to avenge the insult and almost kills him. But the complications are cleared up and all's well that ends well.

Novarro as the rollicking Ricardo gives a dashing, romantic performance, while his sense of humour makes it even more apparent than in "Devil May Care." His appealing personality makes his songs seem doubly charming, the young Latin having a certain knack of putting over intimate melodies which account for no small amount of his attractions. Carrimino, His father, assures the match and they are about to announce their engagement when the jealous Goyita comes from Madrid, hides herself in Ricardo's rooms and is subsequently discovered in his bed. The climax results when Carrimino's brother challenges Ricardo to a duel to avenge the insult and almost kills him. But the complications are cleared up and all's well that ends well.

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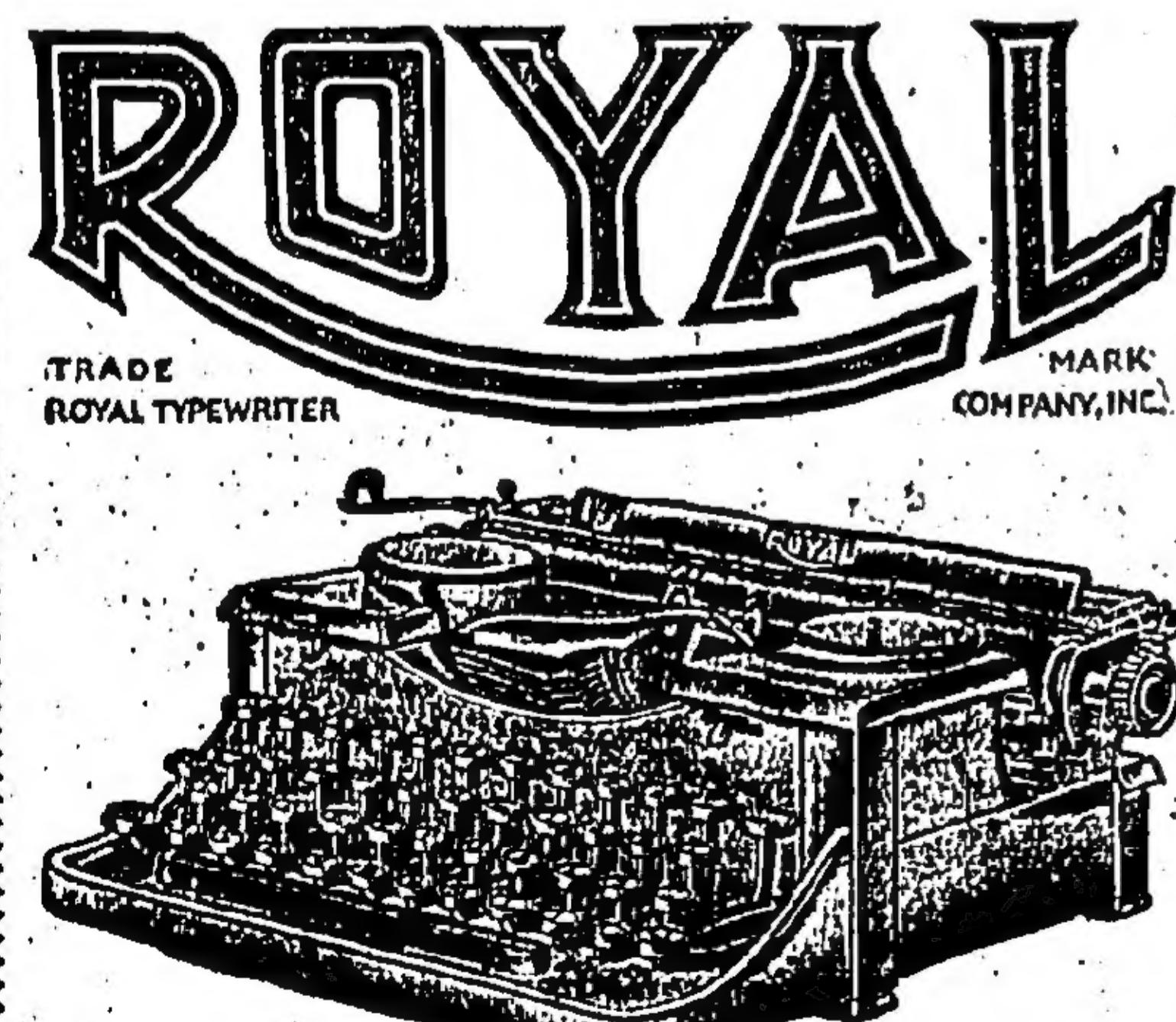
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## THE HONGKONG HOTEL GARAGE.

The Hongkong & Shanghai Hotel, Ltd.  
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### DEATH.

SILVA.—On December 29th, 1930, at 12.20 p.m. at 17, Jordan Road, Kowloon, Mrs. Filomena Fonseca da Silva, aged 88 years. Funeral will pass the Monument at 5.30 p.m. today. (Shanghai, Macao, and Manila papers please copy).

## The Hongkong Telegraph.

MONDAY, DEC 29, 1930.

## THE ALTERNATIVE VOTE.

In view of the fact that the Alternative Vote has been included in the Electoral Reform Bill which is to engage the attention of the House of Commons early in the New Year, it will be of interest to see precisely what this new method in British elections will involve. In a letter which he addressed to the Prime Minister in July last, after the failure of the conference on electoral reform over which he presided, Lord Ullswater set forth the position in detail. He explained that there was no subject connected with politics which had given greater dissatisfaction than the fact that individual constituencies in large numbers find the majority of their voters' views lost. The Alternative Vote, he thought, appeared to be a step in the direction of allaying that dissatisfaction. A further point made was that the proposal for the Alternative Vote had suffered from being mixed up too much with Proportional Representation, though from one point of view the two are essentially different. The object of Proportional Representation is to provide against the under-representation or non-representation of minorities, but the object of the Alternative Vote is to provide against the under-representation or non-representation of majorities.

In showing how the Alternative Vote would work, Lord Ullswater says the method would be the simple and familiar one of making a short list of the two highest candidates on the poll. The position of the voter exercising the Alternative Vote might at first appear to raise a stiff psychological problem, but all such difficulties quickly disappear. Illustrating the point, Lord Ullswater takes a case where there are three candidates—A, B, and C—and a voter who favours C. If, the voter for C, is put in this position: He says, "I approve of C, and he gets my first vote but I may fail; C may not even get into the short list. I sincerely disapprove of the poli-

ties of A and also of those of B. What then am I to do? I think my position must be that, seeing that I disapprove of the politics of both, I should judge between them on their merits apart from Parliamentary politics. Into that reckoning will come—local knowledge, local service, ability, attainments, and most and best of all, character and record. All those things being dedicated to public life, even although the man is not of my way of political thinking, make me feel that the life of the country would be safer in the hands of one of these men, say A, rather than in those of B, of whom I have a different opinion and knowledge. Accordingly, if C (my first vote) fails, then A shall have my second vote, and I mark him No. 2 on my voting paper." Lord Ullswater thinks there is a much larger proportion of the electorate than is generally taken into account that is moved by such considerations, and he believes it is in this region that the Alternative Vote, which might be confusing to the caucus, would be most beneficial to the citizen and most wholesome in public life.

Hitherto, there has been some doubt as to whether there would be many voters in the position of finding their first choice not included in the short list represented by A and B, and Lord Ullswater has been at pains to discover the approximate number of these uncommitted voters. The actual number, he finds, is close on two and a half million people, and he submits that it would be to the advantage of the State to find a place within the voting system for people in this position. The result, he thinks, would in all probability turn a minority into a majority representation in every case. To allay the dissatisfaction felt by those whose votes are now of no account would doubtless be an act of justice. Considerations such as these have no doubt been a factor in the Government deciding to incorporate the Alternative Vote in the Bill which is shortly to come up for consideration.

## POLICE RESERVE.

### ORDERS FOR THE CURRENT WEEK.

Police Reserve Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Inspector General of Police, state:

General.

Revolver Practice.—There will be no revolver practice at the Kennedy Road Range on Wednesday, December 31st 1930.

Police Training School.

The weekly classes for Police Reservists at the Police Training School, Kowloon, will be held as usual on Tuesday, December 30th at 5.30 p.m. All members of the Chinese Company, and of the Flying Squad, who have not yet passed Part 2 of Training Course should attend.

Chinese Company.

Mr. F. G. Mow Fung, A. S. P. (R) relinquished command of the Chinese Company with effect from December 31st, 1930 and is appointed to command the Emergency Company, Hongkong Police Reserve with effect from January 1st, 1931.

The Inspector General of Police wishes to express his appreciation of the services rendered by Mr. F. G. Mow Fung while commanding the Chinese Company of the Hongkong Police Reserve.

Flying Squad.

Strength.—Sub Inspector B. C. Randall relinquished command of the Flying Squad, Hong Kong Police Reserve with effect from December 31st, 1930.

The Inspector General of Police wishes to express his appreciation of the services rendered by Mr. B. C. Randall while commanding the Flying Squad of the Hong Kong Police Reserve.

Promotion.—Constable R333 A. W. Mooney of the Hong Kong Section has been appointed Lance Sergeant, with effect from December 29th, 1930.

The next weekly instructional patrol of the Kowloon Section will take place on Tuesday, January 6th, 1931, Fall in at Tsim-tsun-tau Fire Brigade Station at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Dress—Winter Uniform and Cap with White Cover.

The next weekly instructional patrol of the Hong Kong Section will take place on Friday, January 2nd, Fall in at Central Police

## DAY BY DAY

WE MUST KEEP OURSELVES UP TO  
OUR BEST, OR WE SHALL GROW IN-  
CAPABLE OF DOING OUR BEST.—  
Eleanor Root.

The Empress of Japan left Hon-  
olulu on the 26th inst. and is due at  
Hongkong on the 9th Jan.

The Ben Line a.s. Benledi, from  
Home ports via Straits and Philip-  
pines, is due here on January 16th.

Reclamation work has started off  
Jubilee Street in connexion with  
the proposed vehicular ferry  
scheme.

Mesars. Mackintosh & Co., the  
well-known men's wear specialists,  
have issued a handy little desk  
calendar for the coming year.

Mr. H. S. Rose has reported to  
the police the theft of a signet  
ring, valued at \$45, from a dress-  
ing table at his residence, at No. 2,  
Chatham Road.

A desk key was found on the  
Golf Course at Happy Valley yes-  
terday. The owner is requested to  
apply to Mr. W. Kent, A.S.P., at  
Police Headquarters.

A stonebreaker was admitted in-  
to hospital yesterday with injuries  
to his left leg resulting from being  
struck by a piece of rock during  
blasting operations at Whitfield.

The police have received a re-  
port that a push bicycle, valued at  
\$50, belonging to Mr. C. Dalziel, of  
No. 2a, Arment Buildings, was  
stolen yesterday while it was left  
outside the house.

In Canton the press censorship,  
which has been in force for over  
a year, has been withdrawn since  
the 25th instant, an order to this  
effect having been issued by Gen-  
eral Chan Chai-tong.

The report of the M.O.H. for five  
days ended at midnight, shows that  
one Chinese case of diphtheria, one  
Chinese case of small-pox and one  
case of meningitis have been re-  
ported during the holidays.

Mr. Alexander Clark, Divisional  
Inspector at Central Station, who  
has been discharging the duties of  
Chief Inspector in the absence of  
Mr. P. Grant, who is away on short  
leave, is going over to Yantai this  
week on transfer to that district.

A fine of \$50, or one month's im-  
prisonment, was imposed by Mr.  
Butters, at Kowloon this morning,  
on a Chinese who pleaded guilty to  
a charge of loitering in the back-  
yard of 514, Shanghai Street and not  
being able to give a satisfac-  
tory account of himself.

(Signed) ALBERT HOGBIN, A.B.

This seemed to lead nowhere and I  
was on the point of returning to  
London when a man in a striped  
apron entered the local police station  
and requested to see the officer in charge.  
He added that it was urgent and concerned the missing  
battleship. The following is a  
verbatim report, taken straight from  
my notebook, of my interview with  
this man, who gave his name as Watters.

Me: Well, my man. And so you  
wish to make a statement con-  
cerning the missing battleship.

Watters: You're all wrong there,  
chum. What I want to know is  
who is going to pay me my milk  
bill, that's what.

Me: What milk bill?

Watters: Why the bill for all the

Another Criminal Instalment To-day! Really it's a Crime!

## Ex-Detective Inspector LANE-NORCOTT tells THE STOLEN BATTLESHIP MYSTERY.

Grade A milk and the now-fa-  
mous eggs I supplied them with, of  
course. Fine lot of British tarts  
they are! Snatching up the an-  
chor and shooting the moon like  
that! Curse the Navy, I say!

It is extremely unlikely that the  
Stolen Battleship Mystery would  
ever have been solved but for one  
of those happy accidents which oc-  
cur when least expected. Some  
months later, while engaged on the  
Whitehall Post Office Outrage—it  
will be recalled that a disaffected  
wholesale bricklayer and estate  
agent named Guy Abbay had pulled  
down this post office during the  
night for spite—I chanced to come  
across two used telegraph forms  
which at once struck a chord of  
memory. I reproduce them here in  
the strictest confidence.

To Maggie Richardson 10  
Gorle Street Margate Meet Me  
Opposite Margate Jetty Six  
O'Clock Tonight. Reggi Penny.

To Capt. FitzBoote H.M.S.  
Aubrey Portsmouth Proceed at  
Once To Malta Will Join  
There Admiral Kingpin.

Here at last was a clue to the  
great Stolen Battleship Mystery! I  
quickly formed a theory and fur-  
ther investigation confirmed my  
suspicions. These telegrams had  
become sadly mixed in transit. In-  
deed, when delivered, they read as  
follows:

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Once To Malta Will Join  
You There. Reggi Penny.

Thus ended one of the greatest  
naval sensations of the century.  
H.M.S. Aubrey was found safe at  
anchor one mile from Margate  
jetty, where she had waited ever  
since for her Admiral, and Maggie  
Richardson, the beautiful missing  
girl, was discovered, alive and  
well, in Malta. There, believing  
her fiance to have been tricked  
her, she had married the widower  
of a late Colonel of Girl Guides.

## NEW CANTON AIR SQUADRON.

### SIX FIGHTING PLANES FROM U.S.A.

Canton, Dec. 28.  
The Bureau of Aviation has deci-  
ded to add a third air squadron to  
the Kwangtung Provincial Air  
Force, and has recently placed  
orders through an American firm for  
the purchase of six fighting planes  
at a cost of \$70,000 each. The  
planes are to be 350 h.p. two-  
seaters, each fitted with two ma-  
chine guns.

The new machines are expected  
to arrive in Canton next month  
when the Third Air Squadron will  
be formally inaugurated by Director  
Wong Kwang-yul, Chief of the  
Aviation Bureau, with Mr. Chan  
Yau-shing, the present Vice-Com-  
mander of the 2nd Air Squadron,  
as its first Commander.

The inauguration of a third  
squadron is partly due to the needs  
of civil aviation, several of the  
first air squadrons being now utilized  
to maintain the regular air routes  
connecting Canton with Wuchow,  
Swatow, Pakhoi and Holow.—Out-  
Our Correspondent.

## KWANGTUNG POLICE FORCES.

### CENTRALISED CONTROL NOW ARRANGED.

Canton, Dec. 28.  
General Auyang-kue, the Popu-  
lar Chief of the Canton Police  
Force, is to have his powers ex-  
tended to control all the police  
throughout Kwangtung Province.  
This is the result of a decision of  
General Chan Ming-shu, Civil Governor  
of Kwangtung, who appreciates  
the great progress and ex-  
cellent organisation of the Canton  
Police Force, has invited Gen-  
eral Auyang-kue to extend his  
knowledge and organising powers  
to all the other towns and villages  
throughout the province.

The General will assume his new  
post immediately after the New  
Year holidays, and at the same time  
he will take over command of the  
Kwangtung Provincial Peace Main-  
tenance Corps, thus having under  
his sole control all the bodies for  
the maintenance of law and order  
throughout the Province.—Out-  
Our Correspondent.



"I hope you didn't come along just to keep me informed on what the well-dressed sportsmen should wear."

## WANCHAI SCHOOL PRIZE DAY.

WIFE OF HEADMASTER GIVES AWAY AWARDS.

## NEW SCHOOL NEED.

Students of the Wanchai Government School gathered this morning to hear the Headmaster's annual report and receive prizes won during the year. In the unavoidable absence of Mr. G. P. de Martin, Director of Education, the prizes were presented by Mrs. J. Ralston, wife of the Headmaster. Also present were Mr. E. J. Edwards, who will be headmaster next year, and Mrs. Edwards.

## Headmaster's Report.

In his report the Headmaster said: The attendance throughout the year has been very good, in spite of the fact that the habit of seeking leave for trifling causes seems to die very hard indeed.

The practice of extending official holiday either at the beginning or end cannot be too strongly deprecated.

The school has been fortunate in suffering from no changes in staff for the last twelve months.

During the periodical overhaul of the school premises by the P.W.D., opportunity was taken to paint or colourwash in very light shades as much of the ceiling and walls as was practicable. This tended to ameliorate the lighting.

At my request, many leaky gutters in and around the compound were cement rendered in order to mitigate the pest of flies and mosquitoes which used to afflict the vicinity. The building is now neither insanitary nor dilapidated; but my opinion is that a new school is the only remedy for its many defects.

The health of both masters and boys has been good. The M.O. Schools examined all new entrants, and re-examined several referred cases. Eleven boys were found to suffer from defective eyesight and spectacles were supplied free by Government.

No outstanding changes were made in the curriculum, but closer adherence to the authorised syllabus was effected. West's "New Method" Readers were successfully introduced into Classes 7 and 8, and next year all classes from 6 downwards will use this admirable series of text-books. Of 72 boys eligible for entry into Queen's College or King's College, only 29, or 40 per cent., passed the requisite examination. Otherwise, the general average of examination results has been extremely satisfactory.

## Library Re-organised.

When I arrived last January the library had fallen into disuse. The Headmaster's Report for 1928 stated that "most of the library books had been ruined by damp." I had a few suitable ones retained at the school, and a Library Fund was instituted, supported by subscriptions from the boys. New furniture was obtained for the library room, and a certain quantity of carefully chosen English literature was placed on the shelves. These were used weekly by three divisions of Class 4, and next year the practice ought to be extended to Class 5 also. Chinese magazines were also supplied regularly. If school training is to achieve anything it must stimulate the desire and inculcate the ability to read at home after school life.

During the year under review, class-masters, during school hours, accompanied their classes on several interesting and well-defined educational walks with obvious physical and mental advantages. One or two launch picnics were also held during the summer out of school hours.

All the class championships this year were won by the same class, 4B, who are to be congratulated on their successes. These include football, athletic sports, volleyball and basket ball. I wish to thank the South China Athletic Association for permission to use their ground at Caroline Hill for the final of the football competition, and also the Headmaster of Queen's College for a similar favour in connexion with our annual athletic sports which took place early this month. The use of the Government bathing beach at North Point was again much appreciated.

I take this opportunity of acknowledging gratefully and without qualification the loyal work done by the staff throughout the year.

## Mrs. Ralston's Reply.

After the prizes had been distributed, Mrs. Ralston was presented with a basket of flowers and cheers were given for her, the Headmaster and Mr. and Mrs. Edwards. Replying, Mrs. Ralston

## PROTECTION OF CHILDREN.

## LOCAL SOCIETY ISSUES FIRST REPORT.

## INSPECTOR'S WORK.

The first annual report of the Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children states that the first object of the Committee was to raise sufficient funds to admit the Society engaging the services of an Inspector. The Government contributed a sum of \$3,000 and by the end of April the generous response of those to whom the Society appealed for assistance produced a sum which justified the Committee in engaging an Inspector and equipping an office. In this connexion the Committee particularly desires to thank Mr. Wai Shiu Pak for his handsome donation of \$10,000.00.

The Committee at first experienced some difficulty in obtaining the services of a person with the requisite qualifications for an Inspector, but in August appointed on probation Miss Soto Wai Shiu Pak, B.A. Girling College, Nanking, who had made a particular study of sociological matters, including child welfare.

The Committee feels that it is desirable for the time being to engage only women as Inspectors, as it is believed that they more readily gain access to the homes of those concerned and that they are more capable of advising in matters of child welfare than men.

## Juvenile Offenders.

Dealing with juvenile offenders, the Committee expresses the view that, though the imprisonment of some few incorrigible juvenile offenders may be inevitable, the imprisonment of youthful offenders in general is wrong in principle.

The individual's fear of prison is to a large extent a sentimental one and once a culprit has been in gaol that sentiment is destroyed for ever. Particularly must this be so in any place where the standards of living are low for a great bulk of the population. The Committee feels that there is large danger of the mind of the youthful offender being contaminated by contact with older delinquents.

The Committee has had under consideration a Bill drafted by Mr. Hazlerige making provision for the institution of Juvenile Courts, the segregation of youthful offenders before and during trial, the appointment of probation officers charged with the duty of supervising youthful offenders released on probation, and the substitution of custody in a place of detention to be provided under the Bill for imprisonment as now inflicted. The Committee has forwarded this Bill to the Government for consideration.

## Cases Investigated.

The total number of cases investigated between the 1st August and the 14th November was 27. These cases affected the welfare of 27 children and involved 49 offenders or persons advised. In 26 cases parents were advised or warned, and in 11 of these the Inspector arranged for medical treatment on several occasions accompanying the parents on their taking the children to hospital. No prosecutions were considered necessary.

The Inspector made 63 supervision visits.

The Committee, while recognising the danger of indiscriminate relief, has felt it necessary to allocate certain funds in order to make provision for relief in urgent cases where there is dire poverty. Relief will be made in kind and no money given. The problem of obtaining proper medical attention in cases of tuberculosis which require lengthy institutional treatment is one which presents the greatest difficulty.

## Cases Investigated.

It is advertised that the Exchange Banks will be closed to the transaction of public business on Thursday, January 1st, (New Year's Day.)

said: "You have done me a great honour by asking me to do substitute for Mr. de Martin, who unfortunately found himself unable to come and distribute your prizes this morning. I feel that honour very keenly, because this is the first time I have ever filled such an important position."

"I congratulate those boys who have won prizes, and wish them further honours when they seek fresh fields and pastures new in Queen's College, King's College, or later on, the University. But this I would like you to remember always—however far you travel on the road to success at the University, in commercial life or in the field of sport—remember that Wanchai School set your young feet on that path."

For those others of you who did not manage to win a prize, I hope that next year will bring you your great opportunity, that you will recognise it when it comes, and use it to the full."

consult the Crown officers.

## WAR ON THE "RED" BANDITS.

## BIG CAMPAIGN TO START IN KWANTUNG.

## NAVY TO ASSIST.

Canton, Dec. 28. Early in the New Year, a thorough drive is to be made for the complete suppression of the Communist bandits on the Kiangsi, Fukien and Kwangtung borders. General Heung Hon-ping, Commander of the 62nd Division, has just arrived in Canton from Swatow to confer with General Chan Chak-tong, Commander-in-Chief of the Nationalist Forces in South China regarding the plans for the campaign.

Troops are now massing on the borders of the three provinces. They belong to the 62nd Division and the 12th Brigade under General Chang Tat, and the drive will be launched as soon as General Heung Hon-ping returns to Swatow with the necessary instructions from General Chan Chak-tong.

General Chang Yim of the 61st Division, who has recently returned from the successful campaign in the North, will also join General Hon-ping in the campaign.

The Kwangtung Provincial Fleet, 4th Naval Squadron, is being reinforced along the various waterways of the Province, and early in the New Year a simultaneous drive will be made in all the known bandit haunts throughout the Province with the object of completely suppressing all pirates and bandits and of restoring complete security of communications in all parts of the Province.

During the long-drawn-out campaign in Kwangtung banditry has been on the increase. In Kwangtung, the bandits taking advantage of the absence of troops to raid numerous small villages and to hold up river traffic along the principal waterways. Admiral Chan Chak, Commander-in-Chief of the 4th Naval Squadron, is himself going to direct the naval drive against the pirates and will be leaving Canton immediately after the New Year holidays on a tour of inspection of all the Naval forces throughout the Province. —*Our Own Correspondent.*

## DOUBTS ON "RED" LITERATURE.

## UNLIKELY TO CAUSE ANY SERIOUS BREACH.

## MAGISTRATE'S VIEW.

That there had apparently been some trouble at the Gas Works recently was disclosed before Mr. Lindsell at the Central Police Court this morning when a folk employed at the Taikoo Sugar Refinery appeared on a charge of possession of seditious literature which contained an intimation of trouble at the Gas Works, Taikoo Sugar Refinery and the Nanyang Tobacco Bros.

The defendant was arrested at 8A, East Street, Quarry Bay, on December 19 after the police had found a quantity of literature in a basket for which he produced the key and in a tea basket found near his bed.

After hearing the evidence, his Worship pointed out to Detective Sergeant Kennedy, who prosecuted, a passage relating to trouble at the Gas Works and asked if anything had been heard of such an incident. He asked what it referred to.

The officer replied that the police had not any information of any trouble at the Gas Works.

His Worship:—Surely there has been some underlying fact on which this is based?

Reading further, his Worship said that he found it very hard to say that there was anything in the pamphlets which might persuade or induce any person or persons to do an act calculated or tending to cause a breach of the peace or to interfere with the administration of the law or with the maintenance of law and order. He pointed out that the reference "overthrow the Imperialists" clearly meant to get rid of the "tamed dogs of the Imperialists." There was nothing to say by force or attack. The red flag items were simply a tissue of lies. A passage accusing the Government of having paid \$20,000,000 for military expenses was ridiculous. He did not think that anybody would be inclined to take action on the lines contained in the papers.

Detective Sergeant Kennedy remarked that there was a reference to the Nanyang Bros. where there had been some trouble recently.

His Worship said that all the passages referred to instances that were claimed to have occurred. It was more or less nowa: so-called news. But did it incite anybody to do anything? It was not an offence to try to stop people from going to work by peaceful means.

His Worship adjourned the case until to-morrow for the police to

## SANDAKAN LIGHT MEETING.

## TRADE DEPRESSION EFFECTS IN BORNEO.

## A YEAR'S PROFITS.

Mr. R. G. Shewan presided at the annual meeting of shareholders of the Sandakan Light and Power Company (1922) Limited, held this morning.

## Chairman's Speech.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, —The report and accounts for the year ended June 30, 1930, having been in your hands for the prescribed period, I will, with your permission, take them up.

The profit on working account, without including provision for depreciation amounting to \$27,396.86, is \$64,817.73, and shows an increase of approximately 35½ per cent. over that of last year; but I must point out to you that this is in a great measure due to the favourable rates of exchange prevailing during the year, as our earnings are in Straits currency. The increase in the total energy sold was \$6,805 units, an increase of approximately 17 per cent. this being primarily due to the gradual increase in the demand from the Water Works.

The net balance on working account is \$37,571.87. After putting aside \$2,593.91 to sinking fund for replacing the cost of our concession, and charging managing agents' commission and consulting committee's, directors' and auditors' fees, there remains, after crediting interests, income from investments and scrip fees totalling \$31,136.82. The balance to credit of profit and loss account of \$32,569.75, which is transferred to the general profit and loss account per balance sheet.

This sum of \$32,569.75 has been applied to the reduction of the adverse balance of \$82,951.48 brought forward from last year, leaving now at debit of general profit and loss account a sum of \$50,391.73.

## Trade Depression.

This I think, gentlemen, you will admit, is satisfactory, but our manager reports that the general depression in trade all over the world is also affecting Borneo, and we fear we shall feel the effect in reduced earnings this year.

The Government water works are now connecting services to the various houses, and we are trying to exploit the possibilities of electric water heating during the off peak load period by offering attractive rates. Our manager is of the opinion that there are good prospects.

Our consulting engineer paid Sandakan a visit in May of this year, and submitted a detailed report on the workings of the company. His report states that certain alterations to the high tension mains are to be carried out in order that a ring main in the town be established and continuity of supply be secured by affording alternative feeding routes, and also to avoid in certain areas the main roads where trees abound, which are a source of trouble.

The second of the new Babcock & Wilcox boilers has been erected and put into service, and our boiler plant is now of sample capacity to supply steam for the full load output of our generating plant.

Due to the necessity of increasing our spray cooling pond area by the removal of the manager's present office and also to afford more room for our stores and meter testing department, we have sanctioned an addition to the existing power station building, which it is estimated will cost approximately Straits \$3,000.

## Coal Mining Suspended.

I regret that the coal mining operations in Sandakan Bay, to which I referred in my remarks last year, have been completely shut down.

You will see from the balance sheet that we have built up a very substantial cash reserve, the money being invested in sound local stocks.

Generally, the present outlook for trade is not very good; notwithstanding the Australian market has closed to the timber trade, but rubber also, the other main industry, is, as you know, going through a very long period at present.

The statement of accounts and report were adopted, on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. J. P. Braga.

The Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga and Mr. C. A. da Roza, the retiring directors, were re-elected, and Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming were re-appointed auditors at a remuneration of \$360 each.

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## LORD MELCHETT'S DEATH.

## GREAT LEADER IN BRITISH INDUSTRY.

## CO-OPERATION IDEAS.

Lord Melchett, head of the great £65,000,000 Imperial Chemical Industries combine, whose death at the age of 62 years is announced by Reuters, was an interesting character in many ways.

His father was the famous German chemist, Ludwig Mond, who became naturalised in England in 1880. Lord Melchett, who is probably better known as Sir Alfred Mond, was of Jewish descent and was educated at Cambridge and Edinburgh Universities.

He studied for the law and practised in Wales as a barrister until he joined the firm of Prunner, Mond and Co., founded by his father in conjunction with Sir John Brunner.

## Great Speaker.

Soon after his marriage he became managing director of the firm, with seats on the directorates of various associated concerns. In these important administrative positions he showed great ability.

He was a welcome recruit to the Water Works.

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## BOXING

CITY HALL  
SATURDAY,  
3rd January, 1931,  
at 9.15 p.m.

## MAIN EVENT

15 Rounds Contest for  
Lightweight Championship of  
the Colony and Belt

Between  
STOKER PERCY LAKE,  
Holder,  
H.M.S. BERWICK

and  
A. B. DOBSON,  
H.M.S. THRACIAN

Booking at Mouttrie's:—  
For members of the Hongkong Boxing  
Association on TUESDAY, 30th and  
WEDNESDAY, 31st December, 1930.  
General Public: FRIDAY, 2nd and  
SATURDAY, 3rd January, 1931.  
Ringside Seats \$5. Others \$3. and \$1.  
Plus Amusement Tax.

CHEERO CLUB  
(NAVY & MILITARY Y.M.C.A.)

CHRISTMAS  
DANCE  
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CITY HALL  
TO-NIGHT  
Commencing at 8 p.m.

Music by  
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Tickets ..... \$1.  
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LOCAL FOOTBALL  
RESULTS.YACHT RACE TO  
MACAO.WANDERER WINS FROM  
NORSEMAN.

## VERY FAST TIMES.

The annual yacht race to Macao and was won by Wanderer, sailed by Messrs. F. Baker, W. S. Clark and H. J. Pearce, which completed the course in the extraordinarily good time of 18½ hours, or three under eighteen hours when her handicap allowance is taken into account.

Thirteen yachts started and four were officially described as not finishing. The entry is believed to be a record for the event, for which the Potters Challenge Cup is offered as trophy.

Promptly at 7.30 a.m. on Friday, the starting gun, fired from Murray Pier, signalled the commencement of this popular annual sailing race for yachts of the cruiser class. The twelve yachts got off well together and passed the Murray Pier Line almost the same time.

The promise of favourable weather outside held good, and with a nice breeze, progress was quite good compared to the race last year when ten yachts took part in the event.

Full results are appended:

Senior Division,  
R.A. 1 St. Joseph's 0  
Second Division,  
Club Res. 2 S.W.B. Res. 2  
South China 0 Eastern 3  
Argyle 2 Kowloon 3  
St. Joseph's 1 Navy Res. 4  
Athletic 2 University 2

Third Division,  
South China 2 R. Engineers 4  
Evo. 3 R.A.O.C. 4  
S.W.B. 3 R.A.F. 4

A SCRAPPY GAME.  
Artillery Hold On To First  
Half Lead.

The Artillery and St. Joseph's put up an exhibition pretty much in keeping with their positions at the tail end of the league table, although there were plenty of thrilling incidents at both goals. Lack of method in attack made the tasks of the respective defences comparatively easy, and while the R.A. enjoyed considerable territorial advantage in the second half, they rarely seemed likely to add to the lead given them by Salt in the first half.

On the contrary, it was St. Joseph's who gave the promise of a goal in this half, their breakaways being very occasional, but also very dangerous. Close to the end, for instance, Leonard drove hard against the cross-bar with Joyson well beaten, and earlier on, the same player and Souza had both caused the goal-keeper to extend himself.

The R.A. owe their success to the strength of their half-back line, where Salt, Gardner and Joyce all did well, being sure in their tackling and quick to get rid of the ball. It was Salt who obtained the only goal of the game. The ball came out to him after an attack on the St. Joseph's goal, and he returned it with a hard drive from twenty yards out. Rocha apparently did not get sight of the ball until it was too late and it passed through a bunch of players into the net.

Apart from this, Rocha dealt with every type of shot with complete confidence, giving a splendid display. He was well supported by Hyder and Gomes, while Skinner shone in the half-back line. Lim was missed in attack, and though Souza worked hard, he could neither keep the line together nor frequently outwit Gardner.

The R.A. forwards were speedy, but this was a weakness in the goal region for they seemed incapable of readying up for a shot, always being in too much of a hurry.

KOWLOON GOLF  
FINAL.LOPEZ LOSES TITLE AFTER  
GREAT FINISH.

There were thrills for spectators in the final of the Kowloon Golf Club championship between J. D. Thomson and A. A. Lopez, which Thomson eventually won at the 37th hole, after being three down at the end of the morning round, and three up at the 32nd.

Thomson, after halving the 33rd hole, thus making himself virtually safe from defeat, actually lost the next three, the players finishing all square at the 36th.

Playing the extra hole, Lopez found the ditch with his second shot, and Thomson held out to win after one of the finest exhibitions of golf seen at the Kowloon Club.

## LOCAL BOXING.

RETURN MATCH BETWEEN  
LAKE AND DOBSON.

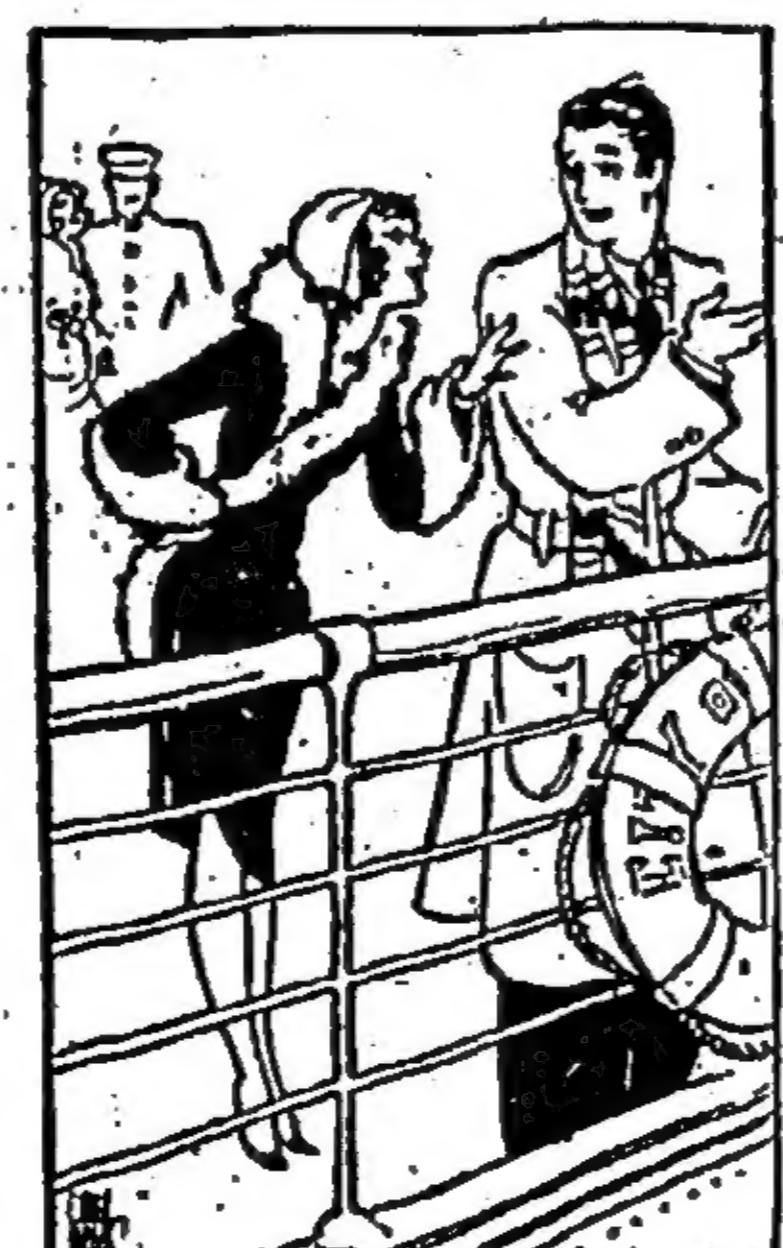
The City Hall should be packed on the night of January 3 (next Saturday) when the main event on the card of the Boxing Tournament arranged by the Hongkong Boxing Association will be a 15-round contest for the Lightweight Championship of the Colony and Belt between Stoker Percy Lake (holder), of H.M.S. Berwick, and A. B. Dobson, of H.M.S. Thracian.

Those who saw the fight between these men at the last tournament were agreed that it was one of the best contests seen in the Colony for a long time, and the return bout on Saturday should prove to be a big one.

If Lake wins this time, the Belt will become his own property. Both men are confident of victory, and should be a fight well worth seeing.

Another attractive item on the programme will be the match between A. B. Lee, of H.M.S. Medway, and A. B. Borthington, of H.M.S. Bellerophon. This will be a ten-round light-weight contest, and worth going a long way to see.

The programme starts at 9.15 p.m., and prices will be the same as previously, excepting that they will be plus entertainment tax, which will be in force. Booking will be at Mouttrie's, on Tuesday and Wednesday for Members, and on Friday and Saturday for the general public.



It's foolish to throw kisses at a girl who isn't a good catch.

CLOSING DAY AT  
K.B.G.C.VISITORS ENTERTAINED AT  
AFTERNOON TEA.

Kowloon Bowling Green Club brought its season to a close on Saturday afternoon with a match between the President's and Vice-President's rinks, and afternoon tea served on the lawn. Many visitors were present and together with members, gathered in the club house at the end of the day, when the prizes won during the year were presented.

Mr. H. Nish, President, addressing the assembly, reviewed the season, and said that two teams had again been entered in the Longue. The first team had done well in reaching the very creditable position of fourth on the league table. The second team came out on top again, but in a play-off they met a stronger team in the Civil Service, which won by a small margin.

Mr. Nish congratulated the Craigmillar club on winning the league championship. For the third year in succession, and also the Civil Service, for taking off the second division championship.

The open championship of the Colony had been won by a Kowloon Club member, Mr. Adam Holland, and he heartily congratulated him. Mr. Nish said he was proud to declare that Kowloon had won three of the Colony's big bowling events—the Aitkenhead Shield, the Spey Royal Cup and the open championship.

The former President, Mr. D. F. Warren, had given a handsome shield, Mr. Nish continued, but it had not yet been decided how the trophy would be awarded. He closed by asking Mrs. Warren to present the prizes thanking her and her husband for their assistance and donations to the club.

Mr. Warren replied on behalf of his wife, Mr. G. Thompson, vice-President, proposed a vote of thanks to the ladies who had attended at the tea-tables, and Mr. A. G. Brown thanked the club for their hospitality to visitors.

Prize Winners.  
Club Championship (J. M. Hendren Cup), C. Atkinson, presented by Club; 2nd Prize, J. V. Hamm, presented by Mr. D. Gow; 3rd Prize, L. Guy, presented by Mr. A. M. Holland; President's Prize, A. M. Holland (David Harry Smith), presented by Mr. H. Nish; 2nd Prize, Mr. D. W. Phillips; 3rd Prize, Mr. D. Gow, presented by Mr. E. D. Labrouse.

Vice-President's Prize—A. M. Holland, presented by Mr. G. E. F. Thompson; 2nd Prize, N. R. Whibley, presented by Mr. E. W. L. Hobgbin; 3rd Prize (undecided), presented by Mr. J. Gibson.

Handicap Doubles—1, A. J. Craig and Lieut. R. S. Nicol (Galloway Prize), presented by Messrs. Nestle's & Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Co. Ltd; 2nd Prize, A. W. Brown, presented by Mr. W. F. Forsyth.

Men's Handicap Singles, G. A. White, presented by A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd; 2nd Prize, A. W. Brown, presented by Mr. W. E. Hale.

Men's Handicap Doubles, G. A. White and P. F. Clarke, 1, presented by Club; T. Ferguson and F. L. Rapley, 2, presented by Club.

Ladies' Handicap Singles, Mrs. McCaw, presented by Mr. F. L. Rapley; Mrs. Hoare, 2, presented by Club.

Ladies' Handicap Doubles, Mrs. Boas and Mrs. Hobgbin, 1, presented by Club; Mrs. McCaw and Mrs. Sturgeon, 2, presented by Club.

Ladies' Non-Prize Winners, Mrs. McCaw, Mr. Clarke, 2, presented by Capt. J. B. McCaw.

Mixed Handicap Doubles, T. Ferguson and Mrs. McCaw, presented by Club; 1, J. B. Sturgeon and Mrs. Sturgeon, presented by Club, 2.

Day's Match.

Scores of the game were: President, Vice-President.

Dobson ..... Chambers  
West ..... Howe  
Hyde ..... Roberts  
Goodman ..... Hollands 11

Hatt ..... Ramsay  
Webb ..... Royance  
Nish ..... Harrison  
Flegg ..... Venables  
Gould ..... Silkscone

Drake ..... Lyde-Lay  
Lapley ..... S. Smith  
Brockford ..... Rosario  
Branch ..... Souza  
Horn ..... Whittle  
Gibson ..... Edwards  
Rose ..... Chapman  
Watson ..... Whibley  
Rapley ..... Wylie  
W. Macfarlane ..... Tucci  
McIntosh ..... Maughan  
Cuthill ..... 14 Brawn  
Gow ..... Atkinson  
Sheriff ..... Greig  
Laurensen ..... Gray  
Nichol ..... Hedley  
Guy ..... Davidson  
Booth ..... Shepherd  
Thompson ..... 8 J. C. Brown 18

114 ..... 128

## BRILLIANT WIN.

ENGLAND COLLAPSE AGAINST  
NUPEN.

Johannesburg, Dec. 27.

Twenty-two thousand spectators saw South Africa snatch a thrilling victory in the first Test match here to-day by twenty-eight runs. Thousands invaded the pitch at the fall of the last English wicket, assembled in front of the pavilion, and cheered Nupen, who appeared before them, his face wreathed in a happy smile, despite a cut chin, which had necessitated the insertion of stitches.

When play resumed for the day, 5,000 people were in attendance, and watched the game in fine weather.

Twenty minutes of the morning's play sufficed to bring the Africans' second innings to a close, the last wicket falling at 303. Resuming with the overnight score of 303 for seven, which gave them a lead of 236 runs, South Africa only added three to the total for the loss of the remaining wickets. Viljoen added one more to his score of 43 and was then bowled by Hammond, who also claimed Nupen's wicket. His excellent work with the ball earned for him the figures of 4 for 63, whilst Voco took 4 for 59 runs.

Set the comparatively simple task of scoring 240 to win, England made a disastrous start, losing Wyatt at 13, Leyland nine runs later, both victims of Catterall, and Hendren with only 30 runs on the board.

With the association of Hammond and Turnbull, however, a change was wrought in the game, both batsmen settling down and playing the bowling with confidence. Turnbull was the more aggressive of the two, and in a splendid innings of 61, which was terminated with the total at 131, hit one six, a five and half a dozen fours. The partnership, which realised 101, gave England another fine chance of winning, but after Chapman had left at 152, the side collapsed against Nupen and Vincent, three further wickets being lost for only 17 runs. Hammond was stumped by Cameron after contributing a sound 63, and he was seventh to leave.

Nupen bowled with deadly effect, capturing six wickets for 87 runs in 25 overs. Catterall, in securing the first wickets in the second innings for a mere 12 runs, played a large part in the defeat of England, and Vincent secured a couple of valuable wickets for 44 runs.

Nupen achieved a personal wicket, taking in all eleven wickets for 150 runs, his bowling being responsible for England's poor displays in both innings.

The detailed scores, as cabled by Router, follow:

S. AFRICA—1ST INNINGS.

S. C. Carnon, l.b.w., Tate ..... 13  
H. Mitchell, c Hammond, b Voco ..... 6  
I. J. Sledic, b Voco ..... 13  
R. H. Catterall, b Voco ..... 5  
Viljoen, c Duckworth, b Peebles ..... 7  
X. Balaskas, l.b.w., Peebles ..... 7

11 ..... 211

Fall of wickets—1 for 13, 2 for 22, 3 for 30, 4 for 131, 5 for 152, 6 for 154, 7 for 164, 8 for 169, 9 for 195, 10 for 211.

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.  
Tate ..... 18 2 47  
Hammond ..... 25 5 63  
Voco ..... 27.2 8 55  
Peebles ..... 7 41  
White ..... 16 3 63  
Wyatt ..... 2 20

ENGLAND—2ND INNINGS.

R. E. S. Wyatt, c McMillan, b Catterall, Leyland, c and b Catterall, Hammond, st. Cameron, b Vincent ..... 13  
H. Hendren, c Mitchell, b Nupen ..... 62  
M. J. Turnbull, b Nupen ..... 61  
A. P. F. Chapman, c Mitchell, b Nupen ..... 11  
J. C. White, l.b.w., Nupen ..... 28  
Tate, c Mitchell, b Nupen ..... 0  
Voco, c Nupen, b Vincent ..... 0  
Duckworth, l.b.w., Nupen ..... 4  
Peebles, not out ..... 10

Total ..... 23

Fall of wickets—1 for 34, 2 for 50, 3 for 172, 4 for 174, 5 for 182, 6 for 205, 7 for 201, 8 for 305.

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Catterall ..... 5 12 2

Nupen ..... 25.3 3 87  
McMillan ..... 4 25  
Vincent ..... 17 1 44  
Balaskas ..... 2 7

H. B. Cameron, b Peebles ..... 45  
Q. McMillan, not out ..... 45  
C. L. Vincent, c Hammond, b Voco ..... 45  
Newson, b Tate ..... 10  
Extras ..... 10

Total ..... 126

Fall of wickets

# Heart Hungry

LAURA LOU BISHOPSON

Author of "Candy Girl"

## CHAPTER LV.

John Mitchell struggled to control his voice. "Then you have no idea what time she left the house?" he asked. "You didn't think it strange she was not here at dinner time?"

He was standing in Evelyn Parsons' living room. Evelyn had just told him of Celia's disappearance. Mitchell held the note which the girl had left in his hand.

Mrs. Parsons touched a handkerchief to her eyes. "Oh, John, you talk as though I'm to blame! I told you I don't know. I'm so terribly upset!"

"But you must think," the man cut in sternly. "Every minute lost may be important! Calm yourself, Evelyn. This is no time for hysterics!"

She saw he was unmoved by her pretended grief and changed her manner. "You're right, of course!" Evelyn said. "We must find her. Poor child! We must think what to do!"

"What time did you say the maid saw her?"

"Wait—I'll get Rose and she can tell you everything." Mrs. Parsons hurried from the room.

While he was waiting, Mitchell strode back and forth across the floor. His hands were thrust deep in his pockets. The man's face was white, his eyes tortured. It was more than five minutes before Evelyn returned. By that time Mitchell was pacing like a caged animal. He stopped short as the door opened and the two women entered.

"This is Rose," Evelyn Parsons began. "Rose, tell Mr. Mitchell when and where you saw Miss Celia last."

The maid looked sleepy. She had a long, figured robe about her, apparently slipped over a nightgown. Though she had arisen from bed, Rose had been thoroughly coaxed by her mistress.

"I think it was about four o'clock," the maid answered. "I was coming through the hall and I saw Miss Celia standing, in front of the mirror in her room putting on her hat. She didn't say anything but a minute later when I was in Mrs. Parsons' dressing room I heard the door shut and then footsteps going toward the outside door. That's all I know about it."

"She was alone?" Mitchell asked.

"Yes, sir. There wasn't anyone else here but the cook in the kitchen."

"You say it was about four o'clock? Earlier or later than that?"

"I'm not just sure, sir, but it must have been about that time because at 4:30 I went downstairs to do an errand. It couldn't have been very long before that."

"I see. I suppose you know Celia's disappeared. Has she ever said anything to you that might give you an idea where she could have gone?"

Rose looked toward Mrs. Parsons and shook her head. "No, sir. She never did."

"Well, this doesn't help much." Mitchell was addressing Evelyn. "Someone else must have seen her. How about that doorman—the one on duty afternoons? Is he here now?"

"No," Mrs. Parsons answered, "but we can reach him, Rose, telephone downstairs and find out where to call the man who was at the door this afternoon."

Before the maid could take up the telephone, Mitchell had it in his hand. "I'll do it," he said, and immediately was in conversation with the operator.

The result of 10 minutes of alternate waiting and frantic conversation produced the news that Celia Mitchell had left the apartment in company with a tall young man whom the doorman had seen frequently. They had driven away in a black roadster. The doorman agreed that it might have been about four o'clock but he was not sure.

Mitchell slammed down the telephone. "It's that Shields!" he exclaimed. "Blind fool—why didn't I guess. Good God, they may be anywhere! Evelyn, Evelyn—!"

Mrs. Parsons sprang to her feet. "John, dearest, don't take it so terribly! Everything may be all right. Please! For my sake!"

He pushed her aside. "Where does Shields live?" he demanded. "I haven't any idea!"

The man stared at her. "You promised to be responsible for my daughter," he said harshly, "but you know nothing about her goings and comings in the house. You are unable to name any of her friends who might tell me what's become of her. And you say everything is all right. Bah!"

Mitchell turned away. Evelyn Parsons started and for an instant her eyes flashed with unallayed malice. Then she began to weep. The man apologized. He begged her to help him find Celia.

"But I've been trying to!" Evelyn sobbed. "I've been trying to do asking me question!"

## LEAKAGE TO SOVIET.

## VALUABLE INFORMATION FROM BRITISH DIPLOMATS

Washington, Dec. 27. Allegations that there have been leakages of valuable information from the despatches of British Diplomats to the Foreign Office are contained in the report of Mr. Gash, Chairman of the House of Representatives Committee which has been investigating Communist activities in the United States.

The report alleges that information from British Diplomatic despatches have been conveyed to Soviet Secret Service men, and quotes the statement of M. Agabekoff, ex-Attache to the Soviet Legation at Teheran, that reports from the British Embassy at Washington on United States activities were "a permanent source of information to the OGPU. English Diplomats have unwittingly rendered valuable service to the Soviet through their detailed reports to the Foreign Office."—Reuter.

At the last half-yearly examination of the Hongkong University, Mr. Granville de Souza, a student from Singapore, eldest son of Mr. L. P. de Souza of the Singapore Land Office, passed his final examination and was graduated M.B.B.S. He will return to Singapore early in January, says the *Malaya Tribune*.

"You're right!" John Mitchell's fist landed on the desk. "I'll go after Jordan!"

"Let me come with you!" Barney urged. "I can't sleep unless I know that Celia's safe."

"Come along!"

They searched a directory to find the address. Then in Mitchell's car they set off for an east-side address. The apartment building, when they reached it, was neither conspicuously smart nor shabby. The street to right and left was deserted and there was no attendant at the door. Barney tried the lock but the door would not give. "Not so good!" he muttered and stepped back. The whir of a motor car attracted their attention. A taxicab had turned at the corner and was coming toward the apartment. The two men stepped into the shadow beside the doorway. The cab came nearer, slowed and halted. A man got out, turned toward the driver and then started into the building.

It was not Jordan. The newcomer was middle-aged, heavily built. Barney Shields suddenly appeared.

"Excuse me," he said. "I'm anxious to see a man named Jordan who lives here. Do you know how I can find him?"

The stranger eyed Shields suspiciously. "If he lives here you'll find his name on the directory."

Shields and Mitchell followed into the vestibule. The other man opened a second door and disappeared. Before the door clicked shut Barney had inserted his toe in the opening.

"Get the apartment number," he said sharply. Mitchell read down the list of names.

"Here it is—24B."

They found the number on a second floor door. John Mitchell knocked.

"Who is it?" a man's voice called.

Mitchell knocked again. There was a shuffling noise, then the door opened and Tod Jordan appeared.

"What do you want?" he demanded crossly.

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TOKYO, Dec. 27.

The widely circulated reports that an attempt had been made on the Emperor's life are unfounded. They are understood to have arisen from an incident that occurred yesterday morning when the Emperor was on his way to Hongkong.

Sir Miles intended afterwards to visit Indo-China, Singapore and Bangkok, and will be absent for at least two months on holiday.

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PEKING, Dec. 27.

Sir Miles Lampson, accompanied by his daughter and Mr. C. N. Stirling, Third Secretary at the British Legation, left here yesterday afternoon on their way to Hongkong.

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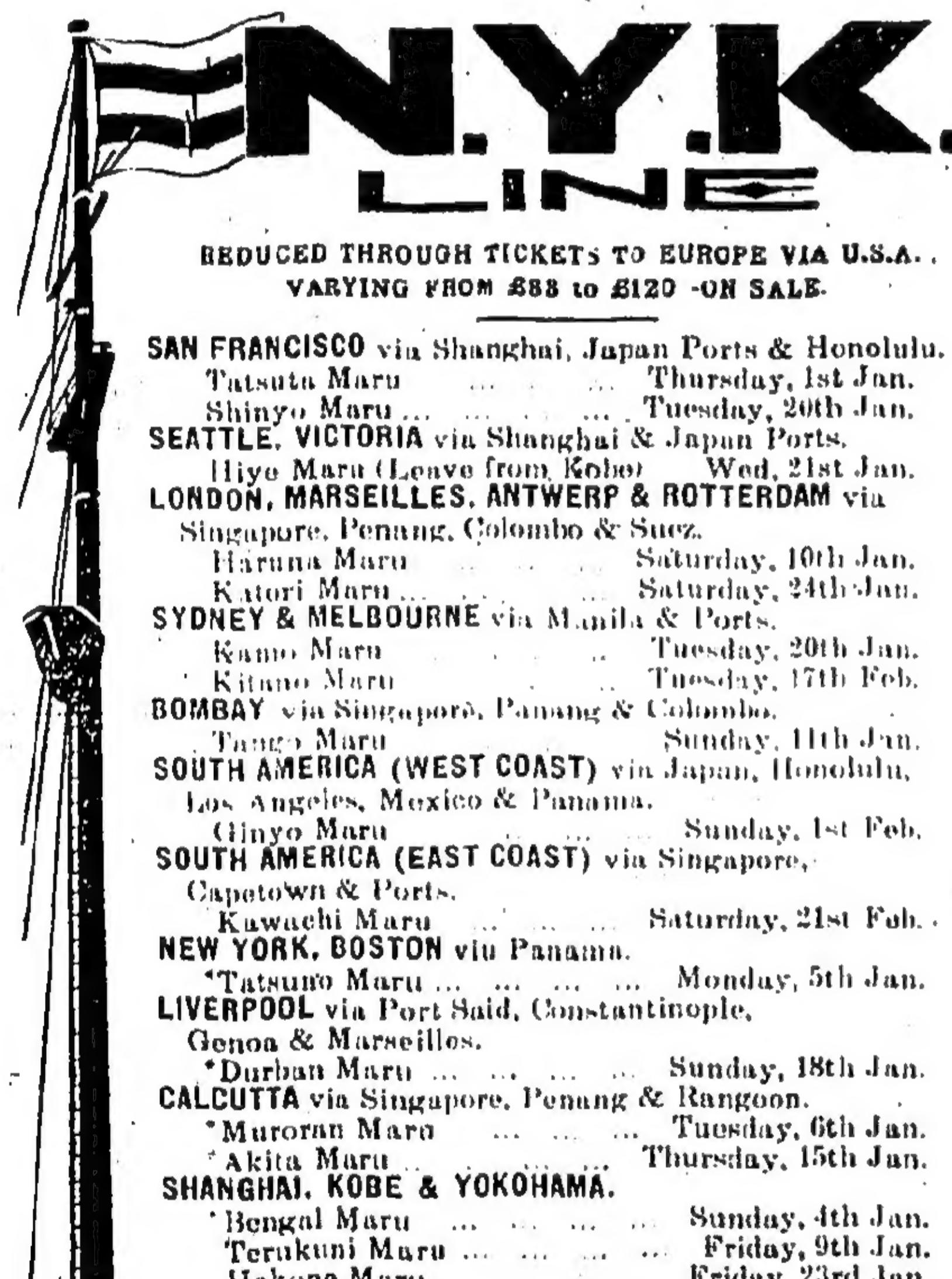
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## LADY PEEL OPENS FOURTH ANNUAL SHOW.

## SATISFACTORY ENTRY.

An optimistic spirit prevailed at the Fourth Agricultural Show of the New Territories which was opened at Shek Wu Hui, Shuen-shui district, on Saturday and continued until yesterday. For the first time, the Show was placed under the auspices of the recently-formed New Territories Agricultural Association, which with its wider scope, as announced, will henceforth look after the needs of the farmers and give them all the necessary advice and assistance in developing the agricultural possibilities of the Territories. The number of exhibits was an encouraging feature of the Show—more than 4,000 being on display.

Judging of the exhibits was carried out on Saturday morning, when some 150 awards were tabulated. The Committee, headed by Rev. Mr. H. R. Wells, O.B.E., as Chairman, had put in a vast amount of work by getting together such a large number of exhibits and arranging them for exhibition. The results which rewarded this effort should be gratifying.

## The Opening.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Peel, was to have been present for the purpose of opening the Show but was prevented by the effects of a recent accident. In his stead, the Show was opened by Lady Peel, who was accompanied by Mr. Tufton, His Excellency's Private Secretary. There were also present Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung, the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax (Colonial Secretary), Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones, (District Officer of the Northern Territories), Mr. C. D. Melbourne, Mr. H. B. L. Dibbiggin, Mr. J. D. Bush, (Hon. English Secretary of the Association), members of the Chinese gentry of the New Territories, and others.

## Chairman's Speech.

The Rev. H. R. Wells, O.B.E., extending a welcome to the guests, said:—Ladies and Gentlemen—

It is a great honour to have you present with us to-day, showing your interest in our efforts to promote improvements in agriculture and in the conditions of the people in the New Territories. This is the fourth annual show, and though we cannot point to any very great progress yet, the Committee are quite sure that in the not distant future there will be more signs of fruit for their labours. Year by year we have had a financial struggle to meet the current expenses, even though the Government has very kindly provided the show buildings in the past, and this year has made a grant of \$1,000 towards the cost of the building.

## Committee's Work.

The Committee, which consists mainly of the gentry of the Territories assisted by a number of gentlemen and ladies from Hongkong and some residents of the Territories, has worked very hard year by year in the faith that the effort would not be in vain. It would be invidious to mention

names, but many have been very faithful in attendance at meetings, and in contributions towards the work. Only so could it have been carried on.

The ordinary farmer who is used to seeing a large display of roots, fruit and vegetables every few days in the markets, can hardly understand why so much fuss should be made over such a show, but if there is an off-chance of his winning a prize he may be willing to exhibit. Otherwise why should he spend the vast sum of twenty cents to see cabbages and turnips. (Laughter and applause). It must be very difficult for him to understand why a prize should be given for anything so common as a sweet potato, and this may be accompanied by a feeling that his sweet potatoes are no better than those of his fellow-villagers. Perhaps village competitions for prizes might educate him a little.

## Contributions Wanted.

Compared with a market the show is tame. There is very little of the "fun of the fair," a deficiency which has been met to some extent by providing novel excitements which doubtless attract some who would otherwise not take the trouble to come. This aspect of the matter will have more attention when there are more funds available.

Some people seem to expect that because a few shows have been held we ought to have induced farmers to change their whole outlook. Such people must be enthusiasts, and we would welcome some of them, if they would come and assist us. The number of exhibitors increases but slowly—though the numbers of articles exhibited increases.

In spite of our financial struggles during the past year, with the hope that springs eternal in the human breast, the Committee has bravely decided to take a new step in forming an Agricultural Society, which will have more scope than the show, and will gradually seek to attack the problems of the farmers from many angles. We look forward to much greater progress when funds are available for the work. We are grateful for the assurance that the Government will give sympathetic consideration to our work to the extent of asking for a grant year by year up to the sum of \$2,000, against our contributions up to that sum. (Applause).

## Loan to Farmers.

Efforts are to be made to raise funds for the purpose of granting loans to farmers on much better terms than they have been able to secure in the past. It is expected that one such scheme will be floated soon after the show is over. If this scheme is successful, in course of time there will be funds available for the purpose of carrying out some of the plans forecasted in our Memorandum of Association. No doubt, in addition to this plan, others will soon be tried for the purpose of securing funds for use in the near future. The present scheme has developed from the suggestion of Mr. Fraser that we should endeavour to do something on the lines of the co-operative work which has been carried out in India for a number of years. So far we have not felt ourselves able to undertake anything so large as that, but what is being attempted now may expand into something greater in the future. The fund at present contemplated, if it is successfully carried out, will provide money for

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much larger schemes than we can at present regard as within practical politics. (Applause).

The Chairman's speech was then read to the gathering by Mr. Tang Wei-tong, after which the Acting Colonial Secretary, the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, C.M.G., C.B.E., responded on behalf of His Excellency, the speech being later translated by Mr. T. Moffat.

## Hon. Mr. Hallifax.

Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, in asking Lady Peel to declare the show officially open, said:—Mr. Wells and the Committee of the New Territories Agricultural Show, Lady Peel, Ladies and Gentlemen:—I have to begin by expressing our regret at the absence of His Excellency. He was anxious to fulfil his promise to open this New Territories Agricultural Show, but his doctor's orders are absolute, and he has therefore no alternative. I am sure, however, that you would wish a respectful expression of our wishes for a rapid and complete recovery to be conveyed to him. He has asked me to say that it is a great disappointment to him not to be able to present to-day at this the first Agricultural Show held here since his arrival in the Colony, but sends his best wishes for its success. (Applause).

## Then and Now.

A number of those present are gentlemen with whom it was my good fortune to be associated in the days when I was stationed in the New Territories. They, like myself, must sometimes stand amazed when they stop to compare the conditions they see here now with those of 30 years ago. The development is remarkable, and in almost every direction, though in agricultural matters it would seem to me that tradition has tended to hold us back from taking the fullest advantage of the opportunities offered. There are signs around us of new experiments and new departures. The Government has an experimental garden of which it is intended the population of the New Territory should take advantage.

Sir Robert Ho Tung and Lady Ho Tung have done great work in developing their estate, and showing the possibilities of the country, not only in the matter of producing from the soil, (and in this their tobacco efforts are particularly noteworthy), but in other matters also such as the not unsuccessful attempt to breed silk-worms and manufacture silk. I understand important fruit farming schemes are being tried out at Li Fuk-lam's premises near Tai Po, and there is further the evidence we can see all around us of the spread of the cultivation of foreign vegetables. (Applause).

## Intensive Cultivation.

No doubt, too, as a whole a larger area of land is under cultivation, and the growth of our market towns such as Shek U Hui itself, is evidence of increased production, but I see few signs of effort to combine to improve the quality of products or of co-operative effort in production or marketing. It must be obvious that Hongkong, which imports quantities of vegetables, would take them more readily from the New Territory owing partly to its proximity, if they were grown there; that they can be grown there; both Chinese and foreign vegetables, is proved by the experience of the bolder spirits anywhere you look on the line of the road.

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Mr. Green informs me that foreign vegetables can be profitably grown on padi fields in the winter without any detriment to the crops of the following year. But to take advantage of the opportunities first, individual effort is needed, then combination and cooperation in marketing. The organisation just launched, the New Territories Agricultural Society, crystallizes this view, and points out many lines along which it would be profitable to take action but it is wrong to think that a perfect paper organisation can cover the whole ground. It is certainly the end at which to aim, but short steps are necessary before long ones can be taken.

## All-Round Effort.

Combination first with your neighbours and later with the neighbouring villages in ascertaining what the demand is likely to be in producing the right thing, and in collecting and marketing; at the least expense, would lead in time to the larger organisation with a full appreciation of its possibilities and advantages, but the building up must be from the bottom. Do not depend too much upon the Society to begin with, but do your own individual best.

Among the objects of the Association is a tree-planting programme, a matter which can easily enough be handled by individuals.

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Windmill Irrigation.

Mr. Wells has already said something about the assistance given by the Government. It has each year provided the matched for this show, it has now remitted the statutory fees for the formation of this Association, a matter of something over \$300 (applause), and there is a discussion as to further assistance that may be given. It is definitely proposed in the course of this following year to establish a sample windmill irrigation installation at some chosen spot with a view to bringing more ground under cultivation.

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Cotton.—First prize, \$10, Lady Ho Tung; Second prize, \$5, Lau Kau. Donor Mr. Fung Ki Cheuk.

Governor's Cup, for the highest number of prizes for foreign and Chinese vegetables combined in a district.—Won by the 5th District, Sheungshui and Fanling. (This cup will be put in the assembly hall in the Taipo Market).

Prize for the highest number of exhibits from any one district.—Won by the 6th District, Sheungshui and Fanling. (Tablet presented by the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn).

Sir Cecil Clementi's prize awarded to the district winning the highest number of prizes.—Won by the 5th District, Sheungshui and Fanling.

Mr. James Bullock's prize awarded to the competitor gaining the highest number of points in the poultry exhibition.—Won by Lady Ho Tung.

There were also 30 other prizes, which were awarded to competitors having the highest number of points for individual exhibits.

## Chinese Poultry.

Turkey Cock or Hen.—1. Chan Kai, 2. Chan Kai.

Hen.—1. Lui Shun Yip; 2, Kam Yuen.

Duck or Drake.—1. Liu Yun Yau; 2, Cheng Kai Pui.

Goose or Gander.—1, Lady Ho Tung; 2, Lau Pui Kee.

Cock.—1, Lee Mow Fung; 2, Fung Wah Hing.

Eggs.—1, Lady Ho Tung; 2, Fung Kee Chuk.

## Non-Chinese Poultry.

Cock.—1, Fung Kee Chuk; 2, Lady Ho Tung.

Hen.—1, Lady Ho Tung; 2, Fung Kee Chuk.

## Cattle Section.

Best bullock.—Mr. Chung Kai Pui.

Best cow.—Mr. Wong Mui Heung.

Best calf.—Mr. Kan Chuen.

Buffalo and Calf.—Mr. Kam Tim.

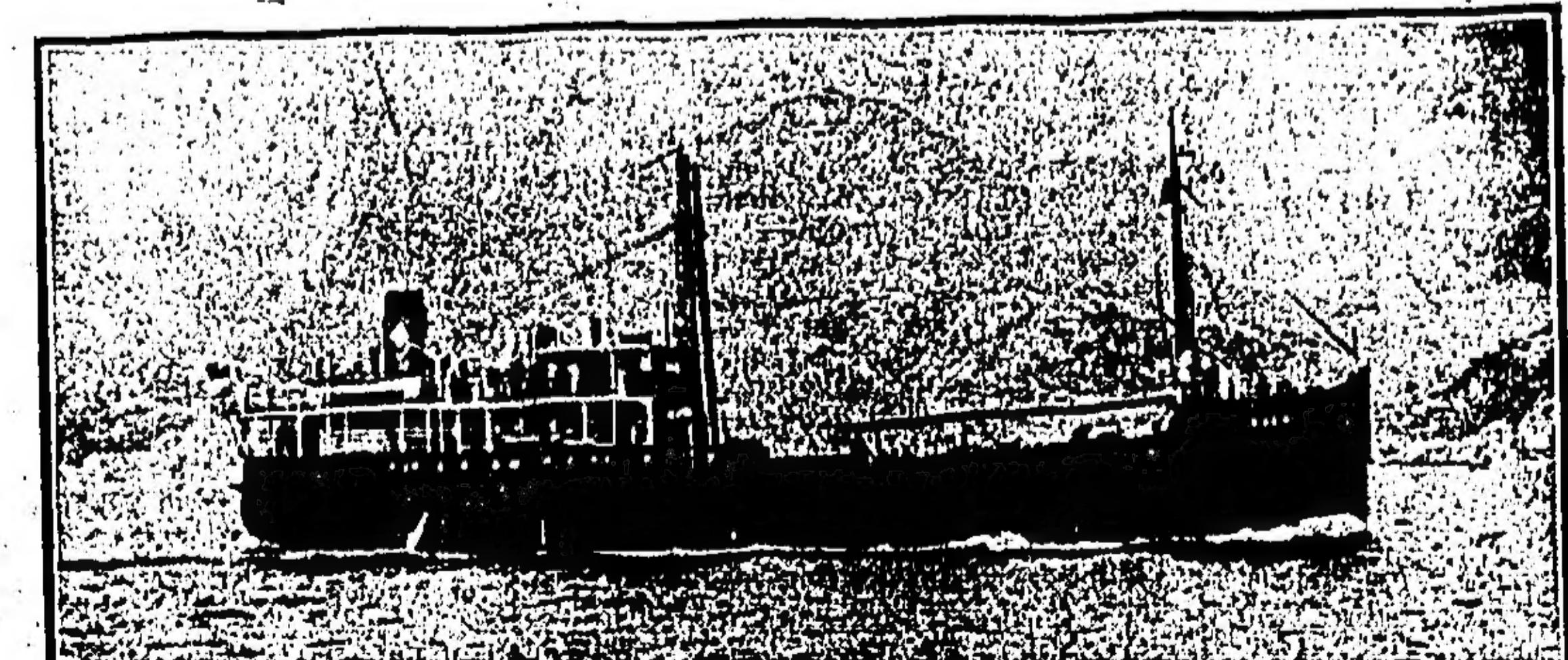
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## ECONOMIC MISSION.

NOW PAYING VISIT TO  
TIENTSIN.

Peking, Dec. 27.

The British Economic Mission is due to arrive at Tientsin this morning, and the Commercial Attaché, Mr. George, has left for Tientsin to meet them. They will remain several days at Tientsin for investigations and social functions, among the latter being an entertainment at dinner by the Hopai Government on December 30.

Most of the party intends to visit Peking sight-seeing, within the next few days.—Reuter.

## NANKING AMNESTY.

COMMUNIST LEADERS ARE  
EXCLUDED.

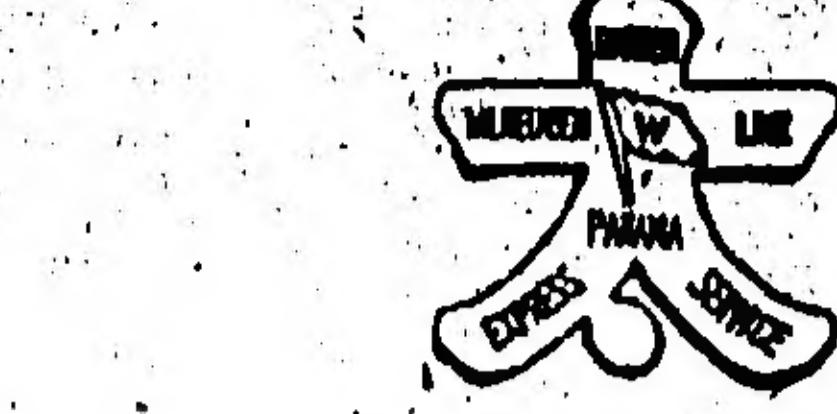
Nanking, Dec. 28.

It is learned that the National Government on January 1 is promulgating an Act providing an amnesty for political offenders, excepting the principal participants in the coup of 1922, when Sun Yat-sen was ousted from Canton, and the principal leaders of the rebellion this year.

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REFUGEES INSANE.

Batavia, Dec. 29.  
The deathroll arising from the  
eruption of Merapi is now  
estimated at 1,000, the figure  
including hundreds of natives who  
are missing.

The volcano is still pouring out  
lava, but there is no danger of  
further casualties, as the whole of  
the area has been evacuated.

An Anata Agency message of  
the 21st Inst. stated:—Eight  
native villages have been totally  
destroyed and an extensive area of  
land all round the volcano is  
covered by a redhot sandstream,  
slowly flowing downwards  
threatening to wipe out several  
other villages.

Thousands of refugees are pour-  
ing into the towns of mid-Java.  
They are mostly panic stricken  
and many have been driven mad  
by the horrible sights they have  
seen and the ordeal they have  
passed through.

The whole district of Sremboeng  
has been turned into a  
veritable burning hell. Merapi is  
still active and emitting pillars of  
smoke with intermittent blinding  
flashes of fire. The underground  
rumblings, however, have stopped.

During his visit to the stricken  
area the Resident went into  
several houses where the  
occupants, men and women, were  
dead, having apparently committed  
suicide due to fear of  
approaching disaster.

The eruption is one of the  
greatest catastrophes which has  
happened in mid-Java.

GOVERNOR ON GAOL  
STRIKE.

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no reason to believe that the  
Government's confidence in the  
Superintendent and his Staff is  
misplaced, but I am fully prepared  
to have the whole administration  
reviewed. Such review is in fact  
now in hand from one important  
angle in the work of the Retirement  
Commission: and their en-  
quiry in the interests of economy  
can hardly fail to direct attention  
to existing weaknesses, if indeed  
such exist, in the general adminis-  
tration. I propose to await the  
completion of their enquiries, be-  
fore considering the appointment  
of a Committee to review the  
General Administration. The  
opinion may safely be hazarded  
that the criticism of such a Com-  
mittee would centre largely on the  
inadequate and unsatisfactory  
nature of the Gaol buildings, a mat-  
ter to which I am giving anxious  
and urgent consideration. My  
settled conviction being that the  
whole establishment must be moved  
to buildings of a more modern  
design in more satisfactory sur-  
roundings. I propose to press on  
this with the utmost expedition.  
I may add that the latest re-  
ports indicate that conditions in the  
gaol have more or less returned to  
normal.

The Report was adopted without  
a division.

His Excellency's Thanks.

In adjourning the Council  
sine die, His Excellency said:  
"As this is the last Council meet-  
ing this year, I take the opportunity  
of thanking both Honourable  
Members of this Council and those  
who have acted temporarily on  
this Council during the year very  
sincerely for all the advice and  
help they have given both to this  
Council and especially to myself  
since I assumed office in Hong-  
kong; and I offer you my best  
wishes for the forthcoming year  
which I sincerely trust will bring  
back a revival of prosperity to  
this Colony."

SUGAR MARKETS.

THE LATEST CABLED  
QUOTATIONS.

The following cabled sugar  
quotations have been received by  
Messrs. Pentreath and Co.:—

London Terminals.

Market closed 26th/29th Dec.  
New York Terminals.

26th 27th  
Spot 1.18 1.15  
Jan. 1.13 1.10  
Mar. 1.22 1.10 down 3 pcts.  
May 1.27 1.24 " 7 " 7  
July 1.34 1.31 " 7 " 7  
Market easier owing to liquidation.

London 28/12/30.—New problem  
has arisen owing to withdrawal of  
N.I. Landbouw Milj., from participation  
in scheme. Will probably  
cause further delay. No further  
developments in Germany.

Samarang 28/12/30.—Market  
dull in the absence of any demand.

ESTATE COMPANY  
CAPITAL.

SHAREHOLDERS AGREE  
TO INCREASE.

USUAL DIVIDEND LIKELY TO  
BE MAINTAINED.

NEW CALL DATE.

Presiding at an extraordinary  
general meeting of the Humphreys  
Estate and Finance Co., Ltd., held this morning for the  
purpose of increasing the capital  
of the Company from \$1,500,000 to  
\$3,000,000 Mr. Henry Humphreys  
explained that the last  
increase was made as long ago as  
1904, and said there was no  
doubt that the Company was under-  
capitalised. He added that the  
Company had over 26 lakhs  
invested in land and buildings,  
and said the Directors anticipated  
no difficulty in maintaining  
the usual dividend of eight per  
cent. on the increased capital.

The Secretary read the notice  
convening the meeting, giving the  
text of the resolutions setting  
forth the proposed increase in  
capital.

Chairman's Speech.

Addressing the shareholders,  
the Chairman said:—Gentlemen.—A brief explanation is perhaps  
necessary as to the reasons which  
have prompted your Directors to  
recommend the proposed increase of  
capital and the number of  
shares to be offered to shareholders.  
The Company's capital was last increased as long ago as  
1904 to its present capital of  
\$1,500,000. There is no doubt  
that the Company is under-  
capitalised. We have over 26  
lakhs invested in land and buildings,  
and, in the opinion of your  
Directors, an increase of capital  
is not only justified, but necessary.  
We anticipate no difficulty in  
maintaining our usual dividend of  
8% on the increased capital.

You will observe from the notice  
just read out to you that it is  
proposed to issue at once 50,000  
fully-paid up shares out of the  
150,000 shares which you are  
being asked to authorise, and to  
hold over the remaining 100,000  
shares until such time as a  
further issue of capital may become  
necessary.

It is further proposed to offer  
these 50,000 shares to present  
shareholders in the proportion of  
one new share to every three old  
shares at a premium of \$2.50 per  
share, viz. at \$12.50 per share and  
to call up the amount due by 25th  
April, 1931, so that the new issue  
shares will rank for dividends and  
other benefits as from 1st May,  
1931.

Resolutions Carried.

The two resolutions were formally  
moved by the Chairman, seconded by Mr. J. H. Seth and Mr.  
W. A. Dowley, respectively, and  
carried unanimously.

Those present included the Hon.  
Mr. G. C. Mackie, Messrs. J. Scott  
Harston, J. M. Alves and J. H. Tag-  
gart (Directors), Mr. M. H. Turn-  
er (legal adviser), and Messrs. W.  
A. Dowley, J. H. Seth, D. E. Clark,  
J. D. Humphreys, C. Bulmer Johnson,  
A. P. Sumy, D. Wilson, J. A.  
Tarrant, G. E. R. Divett, A.  
Forsyth, W. Robson (shareholders)  
and Mr. J. L. Quie (Secretary).

ARSON TRIAL OPENS  
AT THE SESSIONS.

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company with another man. They  
were chased but only accused was  
caught. Jars filled with petrol  
and kerosene were found among  
the palm leaves and also a number  
of naphthalene balls that had  
been broken up.

"Careless" Act.

The plan failed because of one  
careless thing, said counsel. The  
man who started the flames, in  
sweeping inflammable things  
together to keep the flames low to  
start with, broke the chain, leaving  
a gap that the flames did not  
bridge. The Superintendent of  
the Fire Brigade had given it as  
his opinion that in a matter of a  
few minutes the premises would  
have been a seething mass of  
flame and adjoining houses would  
have been in serious danger.

The case is proceeding.

DRIZZLE OR MIST.

The Royal Observatory reports  
that the anticyclone central over  
S.E. Mongolia has strengthened.  
A depression has formed between  
the Loohoo and the Bonins. The  
monsoon will freshen along the  
S.E. coast of China and over the  
China Sea. The local forecast is:  
—North winds, freshening, fine at  
first; drizzle or mist later.

APPEAL AGAINST  
SENTENCE.

POLICE INTERPRETER'S CASE  
TO BE REOPENED.

ON FACT AND LAW.

A formal application of appeal  
against the sentence of two  
months' hard labour imposed last  
week on Li Tsan-pui, clerk and in-  
terpreter of Police Headquarters,  
on a charge of attempting to obtain  
money by false pretences from a licensed hawker, was made  
by Mr. M. K. Lo before Mr. Williams  
at the Central Magistracy this morning.

The defendant, it will be recall-  
ed, was convicted last Monday of a  
charge of attempting to obtain  
\$30 under the pretext that he had  
been authorised to do so by Sergeant Thorpe, officer in charge of  
the Hawker's Department.

Mr. Lo said his application was  
made under Section 103 of the  
Magistrates' Ordinance for leave of  
appeal on a question of fact. He  
also wanted to hand in a written  
application for his Worship to  
state a case on a question of law.  
Mr. Lo mentioned the question of  
entering into recognizances as  
provided under Section 106.

On the question of fact, Mr. Lo  
pointed out that the evidence on  
which his Worship had registered a  
conviction had been uncorroborated;  
there had been no direct  
testimony to confirm that evidence.

His Worship granted the appeal  
and intimated that the defendant  
would remain on \$750 bail pending  
the prosecution of the appeal, and  
that he would have to produce another  
\$750 as recognizances.

BOGUS CONSTABLE  
MAKES HAUL.

HOLDS UP AND ROBS  
YOUNG MAN.

A confession that he was ter-  
rorised into submitting to a search  
the object of which it transpired  
was robbery, was made by Cheng  
To, a young man living at 59, Ha  
Heung Road, to the Yau Ma Tei police  
last night.

Cheng said he was strolling  
through King's Park in the company  
of his finance when he was stopped  
by another Chinese who gave him to understand that he  
was a police officer.

Fearing to resist, yet suspicious  
of the intentions of the man,  
Cheng suggested that they should  
go together to the Police Station  
if a search was to be made, but  
the other man was adamant, and  
finally had his way.

The result was that Cheng was  
dispossessed of a gold watch and  
over \$10 in money. The audacious  
highwayman—for such he was  
then enjoined his victim to go  
home, while he hurriedly  
away in an opposite direction.

TROOPSHIP NEVADA  
ARRIVES.

DAY LATE THROUGH BAD  
WEATHER.

With Army details on board, the  
troopship Nevada arrived in harbour  
this morning from Home via  
Singapore and was made fast  
alongside Holts Wharf. She left  
Singapore for Hongkong last Tues-  
day and was expected here at  
9 a.m. yesterday but a telegram  
received from the ship informed  
the local authorities that she had  
been delayed this morning.

The Nevada is a steel twin screw  
steamer of 9,069 tons gross, owned  
by the British India Steam Navi-  
gation Co., Ltd.

GIPSY FIGHT IN  
CAMP.

ROMANY AWRY!

Gipsy bouds in an encampment  
at Bichford, Essex, were stated at  
Southend on Dec. 3 to keep the  
police engaged day and night.

Four members of a clan were  
bound over for two years to be of  
good behaviour.

They had previously been charged  
with an assault on another gipsy  
gang which had just arrived from  
a country town.

"That night," said Inspector  
Foch, "I had to take a car-load  
of officers to quell a riot at the  
encampment."

"People living in the neighbour-  
hood of these caravan dwellers  
complain that night after night  
half-naked men fight furiously,  
with women cheering them on."

"We are determined that the  
King's peace shall be maintained  
in this encampment," declared the  
chairman, Mr. J. H. Burrows,  
in binding defendants over.

Two months' imprisonment was  
imposed by Mr. Butters, at the  
Kowloon Magistracy this morning,  
on a Chinese named Cheung Fuk,  
who was charged with the larceny  
of a sum of money from his master  
at 128, Cheung Sha Wan Road.  
The defendant was a cook employed  
by the complainant. After  
stealing the money, he started a  
faked armed robbery by breaking  
open a suit case.

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